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Dear Mr Soar

Thank you for your email received on 9 July 2015 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

In the most recent year for which figures are available:

How many tenants were found with cannabis on the property? What percentage of those found with cannabis on the property were evicted due to the cannabis?

This information is not held centrally and it is not possible to supply it without substantial collation or research. Therefore I am refusing this request under Section 18(f) of the Act: "the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research".

Housing New Zealand is a responsible landlord, and we take complaints about tenant behaviour seriously.

Under our Anti Social Behaviour policy, if we receive a complaint about a tenant, staff will first speak to the tenant concerned and ask them to remedy the behaviour. If the tenant does not comply, we will issue a formal letter to the tenant requiring them to remedy the breach of their tenancy agreement within a certain timeframe. Serious breaches, such as illegal activity, may result in immediate application to the Tenancy Tribunal.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to ask an Ombudsman to review the decision to refuse your request.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Kelly

Manager, Government Relations