Draft Boarding House Regulation 2013

Please find below the submission from Perth City Council:

Registration. Building and fire safety regulations and standards within the first 12 months of occupation. The occupation is due to the requirement to inspect and approve the building for compliance with the requirements of the Act. This will ensure the safety of tenants at these Boarding Houses. It is therefore necessary to provide Boarding House Reform Officer with the opportunity to submit comments.

Re: Submission of the Draft Boarding House Regulation 2013

Attention: Aged, Disability and Home Care, Department of Family and Community Services
Sydney, NSW, 2000
Level 4, 30 Clarence Street

Aged, Disability and Home Care, Department of Family and Community Services
Boarding House Reform

15 April 2013
costs. Subject to an inspection regime and the associated
part of Council's Food Premises Register and be

It is likely that they also would be required to com-

with may require the Kitchen to be upgraded.

the Food Act 2003 and Food Safety Standards.

the requirements of

This could impose additional costs on operations as

apply.

Food Act 2003 and Food Safety Standards would

House as part of their fees. The provision of the

additional needs resident in an approved boarding

area

in the event that meeting the being provided to an

Preparation Area

C110 - Food

Schedule 1

was rarely implemented.

was the case with the Public Health Act 1991 where

the offence may be deemed minor in itself. This

unlikely to be taken for individual offences of which

enforcement option is Court action. Court action is

Schedule 1. Currently it appears as though the only

requirement is to some of the requirements in

noteworthy offences of which enforcement is

consideration should be given to assigning generally

Requirements.

Authority Council Officers who enforce these

Schedule 1. The Regulation does not specify who enforces the

requirements set out in Schedule 1. The Regulation

Authority Council Officers who enforce these

should specify if it is Enforcement Officers or

Department responsible for receiving the reports.

is unclear who would be responsible for

Appropriate Council approvals.

process to action if the Boarding House has the

requirement to produce the report within 7 days of the notice being received. It may be

search.

is not currently required to undertake such a

have the necessary approvals from Council Council

applications setting to register their Boarding House

underwritten with the local Council to ensure that

The Regulation does not specify if a search will be

Process for penalty notices.

Requirements

Planning Compliance to comply with

C112 - Reporting

Houses

Auditied Boarding

Schedule 1
Thank you again for the opportunity to provide comments on this matter.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Promotion should also focus on the importance of operators seeking approval from Local Councils and the possible implications of an unauthorised boarding house. A significant impact on their overall operations is the need of promotion so the Act and Regulation requirements are met.

The Regulation does not clearly outline who is responsible for the promotion of the boarding house, boarding house premises, house, house let in lodging and hosting.

The definition of boarding premises refer to other type accommodation and reduce misinterpretations.

Reference to other sections and the Act. This will ensure consistency, accuracy. Larger the Act the definitions set out in the Regulation are not clear and need to be simplified. The definitions should be listed in one section and not make operators should be made aware of this requirement.