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RVRA Optimistic on Greiner Inquiry Report

NSW Retirement Village Residents Association president, Tom Gait, is optimistic that positive improvements will flow to residents of retirement villages in New South Wales from the state government's consideration of the Greiner Inquiry Report.

In July 2017 the NSW Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation, the Hon Matt Kean MP commissioned an inquiry into the operation of the retirement village industry. Kathryn Greiner AO was appointed to head the inquiry.

Minister Kean has now indicated he is considering Ms Greiner's report and its recommendations. These, in the main, deal with fairness and transparency of contracts; the honest, diligent and fair operation of villages; and the just, quick and cost effective resolution of disputes.

"The minister is following through on his vow to **put consumers first and protect residents from potentially dodgy practices**", Mr Gait said

"The process of changing the laws is a fairly long process. It involves careful drafting and approval by the state Cabinet."

Mr Gait concluded: "we can't expect miracles if amendments are to be well thought through and effective, but Mr Kean has to be acutely aware that injustices are continuing right now, and every day there are more. Positive action by the end of the financial year would be the least I would expect."

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