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Dealer Alert

Commercial Tenancies Act – Eviction Ban Extended

As part of Ontario's response to help business recover from COVID-19, proposed changes would extend the temporary ban on evictions of small business tenants and protect them from being locked out or having their assets seized.

This extension would continue to apply to businesses that are eligible for federal/provincial rent assistance under the Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA) for small businesses program, if their landlord chose not to apply for the program.

The amendments would apply to evictions that occur on or after September 1, 2020 to align with the extended CECRA for small businesses program. Landlords who evicted tenants or seized their assets between September 1, 2020 and the date the amendments come into force would be required to return any unsold goods and let the tenant back into the unit.

Ontario initially banned commercial evictions from May 1, 2020 until August 31, 2020. Extending the ban would allow Ontario to continue to protect small businesses and help them get back on their feet so they can create jobs and help rebuild the economy.