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## Housing NSW - PSA seek meeting with Hazzard over cuts

The PSA has written to the Brad Hazzard, Minister for Housing, to request an urgent meeting in relation to mooted cuts to Housing NSW frontline services. Click [HERE](#) for a copy of our letter.

(<http://psa.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Letter-to-Min.-Hazzard-5-Dec-2016.pdf>)

Despite repeated assurances from the Department of Family and Community Services that frontline jobs would be 'quarantined' from cuts under the Cluster Operating Model, it now appears frontline roles in Housing NSW will be axed as part of suite of broader cuts to the agency's support services.

The decision to seek the Minister's intervention follows a recent dispute application by the PSA in relation to the proposed social housing management transfer, in which the management of some 18,000 properties will be transferred the community housing sector under the government's Future Directions in Social Housing in NSW plan.

The Department has now agreed to develop a change management plan in consultation with affected staff and the union.

We understand the NSW Government is pushing the Department to use new regulatory arrangements, which have been designed to force public sector staff into jobs with private providers or risk forfeiting their redundancy entitlements.

The PSA strongly opposes the regulation (Government Sector Employment Amendment (Transfers to Non-Government Sector) Regulation 2016) and will lobby the Department and Minister for changes to protect employee entitlements in any future transfer.

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