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My submission:

We support the banning of the following kinds of questions on application forms:

Asking about an applicant's previous legal disputes or actions with a rental provider - okay if it is within a 2 year period

Asking about an applicant's bond history or whether there has ever been a claim on their bond - okay if it is within a 2 year period

Asking for an applicant's passport if there are other forms of ID - a visa should be supplied with a passport if the renter has only been in Vic for a set time to ensure the lease allows the tenant to vacate in the event their visa is about to expire Asking for nationality or residency status (unless its required for community or public housing) - as above and it should be also for the private sector not just Community or public housing

Information should only be gathered to qualify a tenant for tenancy and this should be listed in legislation due to the privacy and protection of the tenants but should be adequate to determine the affordability of the property and the quality of tenant

I agree:

Asking for bank statements that show sensitive information Asking if the tenant smokes or drinks is a gross invasion of privacy and I believe is discrimination as is asking about pets

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