## Ontario Rent Increase Guideline for 2006 set at 2.1%

This is up from 1.5% for 2005.

Starting with 2005, the government removed the 2% bonus for landlords that had first been brought in under the Peterson Liberal government's Residential Rent Regulation Act of 1986.

30% of your rent is because of the annual 2% bonus given to landlords from 1987 to 2004. A 2% bonus over 18 years meant that rents went up 42.8% above inflation, to total 30% of regulated rents.

Tenants associations like the North Toronto Tenants Network, the West Lodge Toronto Tenants Association, and this web site, have been saying for years there should be no yearly government guideline setting **minimum rent increases**. Find out why in our (last yearly,) August 30, 2003, Press Release on Ontario rent increase guidelines. You can also read more on my Renters News and Social Justice Issues page.

Be sure to contact the Minister of Housing Hon. John Gerretsen to demand that there be a new tenant and landlord law with no guideline increase at all unless the landlord can justify it with expenses for necessary improvements and not unnecessary ones just as an excuse to jack up rents or ones necessary due to landlord neglect.

To see the Ministry's press release you can visit 2006 Rent Increase Guideline Released