

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1302**

Introduced by

Representatives Hawken, Weiler

Senator Hacker

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 47-16-07.1 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to security deposits.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 47-16-07.1 of the North Dakota  
5 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

6 1. The lessor of real property or a dwelling who requires money as a security deposit,  
7 however denominated, shall deposit the money in a federally insured  
8 interest-bearing savings or checking account for the benefit of the tenant. The  
9 security deposit and any interest accruing on the deposit must be paid to the  
10 lessee upon termination of a lease, subject to the conditions of subsection 2. A  
11 lessor may not demand or receive security, however denominated, in an amount or  
12 value in excess of one month's rent, except if the lessee is housing a pet on the  
13 leased premises, the security may not exceed ~~one thousand five hundred dollars~~  
14 two months' rent.