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Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

SENATE BILL NO. 2238

Introduced by

Senators Braunberger, Barta, Cory

Representatives Foss, Schneider

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 47-32 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to ~~expungement~~ sealing of eviction records.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 47-32 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 ~~Expungement~~ **Sealing of records - Nonpayment of rent - Damage to property - Victim**
7 **of domestic violence.**

8 1. A person subject to a court order for eviction ~~under this chapter~~ for nonpayment of rent
9 or damage to the leased premises, who has resolved all nonpayment of rent and
10 damage claims, may move to have all court records relating to the eviction
11 proceedings ~~expunged~~ sealed seven years after the order for eviction has been
12 satisfied, provided the person has not been evicted from another property during the
13 seven years following the eviction.

14 2. An individual who was subjected to domestic violence as defined under section
15 14-07.1-01 at the time of the victim's tenancy and was evicted from that tenancy
16 because of a domestic violence incident may move to have all court records relating to
17 the eviction proceedings ~~expunged~~ sealed upon the conviction of the assailant for
18 domestic violence or the issuance of a disorderly conduct restraining order, sexual
19 assault restraining order, or domestic violence protection order against the assailant.