

FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1395

Introduced by

Representatives Hendrix, Ista, Finley-DeVille, Heilman, Schneider

Senators Boschee, Braunberger

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 47-16 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to landlords and criminal background checks.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 47-16 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Proof of background check provided to tenant.**

7 If a landlord requires a criminal, credit, or other background check as a prerequisite to
8 executing a rental lease for real property, a prospective tenant may request proof of a
9 completed background check. Upon a prospective tenant's request for proof of a background
10 check, the landlord shall furnish proof within fourteen days of the landlord's receipt of the
11 completed background check. If a landlord fails to timely furnish proof of the background check
12 to the tenant, the landlord shall refund all fees paid by the prospective tenant to complete the
13 background check in attempting to secure a lease.