

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1610  
(Representatives Warrey, J. Johnson, Lefor, McLeod, Novak, Richter)  
(Senator Lemm)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 47-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to prohibited lease provisions in a contract to lease real property.

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

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

**Fee for accepting check or other instrument of payment prohibited.**

A landlord may not charge a tenant a fee to accept cash, a check, or a money order for the payment of rent or any other payment required by the landlord under a lease for real property.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1610.

House Vote:      Yeas 78              Nays 3              Absent 13

Senate Vote:    Yeas 44              Nays 0              Absent 3

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State