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Testimony in Opposition of HB 1496

Chairman Beltz House Ag Committee North Dakota House of Representatives 600 East Boulevard Avenue Bismarck, ND 58505

Chairman Beltz and Members of the House Ag Committee, for the record my name is Jill Beck and I am the CEO representing the North Dakota Association of REALTORS® (NDAR).

The North Dakota Association of REALTORS® membership is made up of more than 2,200 REALTORS® and more than 250 Business Partner members.

We oppose this bill as we find that it is a very intrusive bill for tenant and landlord rights. This limits both parties to what they can agree to. It falls under our private property rights belief. The government should stay out of contracts between two parties that can agree to a lease. Tenants have the ability to get out of leases if the landlord is not repairing a furnace or providing "reasonable" heat.

We urge a **DO NOT PASS** on House Bill 1496.

My contact info is below if you have any further questions.

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