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Good Afternoon, Chairman Barta and members of the Business and Industry Committee,

I am here today to introduce Senate Bill 2366, a bill that seeks to enhance fairness and transparency in eviction proceedings within North Dakota. This legislation amends Section 47-32-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, focusing on the **contents of a notice of intention to evict**.

At its core, this bill introduces a critical requirement: landlords must include information about the availability of legal services in the eviction notice. This ensures tenants—predominantly low-income and elderly—are made aware of their rights and have access to assistance that could help them navigate the legal process.

By promoting informed decision-making and fostering a more balanced legal framework, this bill aims to protect both landlords and tenants. It does not create unnecessary obstacles but ensures that eviction proceedings are handled with greater transparency and fairness. This notification can be as simple as providing 211 to connect them with individuals who can connect them to resources.

This legislation represents a step forward in strengthening the integrity of our housing system while maintaining efficiency in business operations. I urge the committee to give it full and fair consideration.

Thank you for your time, and I welcome any questions you may have.