

Sixty-fourth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1191

Introduced by

Representatives Louser, Beadle, Boehning, B. Koppelman

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 service or assistance animals in rental dwelling units.

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 **Disability documentation for service or assistance animal in rental dwelling.**

7 A landlord may require reliable supporting documentation ~~to~~ be provided by a tenant of a
8 rental dwelling, ~~which~~ that is subject to a no pets policy, ~~who~~ if the tenant asserts a disability
9 requiring a service animal or assistance animal ~~to~~ be allowed as an accommodation on the
10 rented premises under any provision of law. Reliable supporting documentation may be
11 provided by a physician or medical professional. Reliable supporting documentation must
12 ~~describe~~ confirm the tenant's disability and the relationship between the tenant's disability and
13 the need for the requested accommodation. A landlord may not require supporting
14 documentation from a tenant if the tenant's disability or disability-related need for a service
15 animal or assistance animal is readily apparent or already known to the landlord.