



Month 26, 2025

Assembly Committee on Judiciary
401 S. Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Re: Testimony in Support for Assembly Bill 283

Dear Chair Miller and Members of the Committee:

I am writing on behalf of Native Voters Alliance Nevada in support of AB283. We are also proud members of the Nevada Housing Justice Alliance (NHJA).

In 2024, while court watching with the NHJA, I witnessed 262 families lose their homes. I sat in courtrooms and watched mothers cry, elders beg for time, and working people try to explain why they missed a deadline they didn't even understand. 262 families—gone in minutes, sometimes seconds—without ever being truly heard.

Nevada's current summary eviction process is not just unjust—it's inhumane. We are the only state in the country where tenants are forced to sue themselves just to get a hearing. That is not due process. That is a barrier intentionally built to keep people from defending their right to stay housed.

AB283 changes that. It flips the filing process so that landlords—not tenants—must initiate formal court proceedings. It ensures that tenants are actually given a chance to be heard, to access services, and to find stability before being forced into homelessness.

Evictions don't just impact a single person—they destabilize families, uproot children, interrupt schooling, lead to job loss, and increase the risk of becoming unhoused for years to come. The trauma I witnessed in those courtrooms still sits heavy on my chest. And I know that the system we have now is not built to protect Nevadans—it's built to move them out.

We urge your support.

A hui hou,
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