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Comment:

I support the changes to MCR 4.201, the eviction case court rule that the Supreme Court has proposed. I encourage you to adopt these changes. I believe our housing system can do better in supporting tenants' well-being rather than landlords' profit interests, and strongly believe these changes will support tenants! The commentary from landlords above makes it clear that tenants rights are at stake with this change. The change to the law would benefit tenants by providing them information about how to access housing resources as well as giving them more time to find legal counsel regarding their rights.

I support the use of remote technology in eviction proceedings, as ways to continually support accessibility to our legal justice system, especially as the pandemic continues. I support MCR 4.201 (B)(3)(c) because landlords should be required to follow the law if they want to leverage the court to evict tenants. We should be fighting to protect the rights and lives of tenants.