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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1379

House Political Subdivision Committee

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Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, my name is Maureen Storstad, and I am the Finance Director for the City of Grand Forks. I want to thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony and express my support for this legislation.

House Bill 1379 relates to the timing of state aid distribution payments. It is my understanding this bill would provide legislation directing distributions to be monthly rather than quarterly as is currently received. State aid is a large revenue source for the City of Grand Forks and helps to support our General Fund operations. The majority of our General Fund is public safety, primarily police and fire. Receiving these payments monthly would help toward consistency of budgetary cash flows.

It is for this reason that I am in support of this legislation and would support a DO PASS recommendation of House Bill 1379

Thank you for your consideration.