



NORTH DAKOTA

Family Alliance LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Testimony Supporting House Bill 1265

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Good Morning Chairman Weisz and honorable members of the House Human Services Committee. My name is Jacob Thomsen and I am a Policy Analyst with North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action. I am testifying on behalf of our organization in support of House Bill 1265 and respectfully request that you render a “DO PASS” on this bill.

When I was in high school, I took a class called Health Careers. This class offered an overview of medical health and how the human body worked. In this class we watched a video that I would never forget. It was a movie titled *The Miracle of Life*. This movie was released in 1982 and had intricate details about how the human reproductive system worked and showed why the saying is “the miracle of life.” If you haven’t seen it, you should really watch it sometime. After we had watched the film, I wondered why a video like this had not been shown previously in other classes? Why am I only seeing this now as a senior in high school?

House Bill 1265 seeks to remedy this issue. It seeks to cover the miracle of life and educate our young citizens of North Dakota about how precious life really is.

At North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action, we believe that this education provides crucial information about life and how it comes to be. It is incredibly important that our young people understand how life begins and, in turn, understand the gravity of the journey of pregnancy. For these reasons, North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action requests that you render a “DO PASS” on House Bill 1265.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify, and I am now happy to answer any questions.