

HB 1362

Testimony In Favor of bill ND House Bill HB-1362.

Dear Members of House committee for Health Services

I am providing testimony in favor of the bill for parental rights. I was a foster parent for 3 years in Washington State prior to adopting 2 boys from the system. In seeing the parents lose their kid to the foster system, I understand that the social services system should bend to try to get the parents back on track so that they can get their kids back. While Hillary Clinton said it takes a village to raise a child, the responsibility still lies on the parents for nutrition, protection, education, shelter, and social education of a child. Neighbors are still kind and supporting the process, and the government only stepping in when the parents have obviously dropped the ball until they get back on track, and get the ball back.

Thank you

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