

Dear House Judiciary Committee Members,

As a concerned citizen of the state of North Dakota, I support SB 2352 which will support incarcerated mothers continued connection and support of their infants. Children should not suffer from the moral errors made by their parents. Mothers are often the primary caretaker for their children and should be provided with the means to support their infants while being held accountable for their behavior, without compromising their infants' early development. Though I'd like to see this support extend beyond the 18 months of age, I commend the authors of this bill for considering the welfare of one of our most vulnerable populations, children.

Respectfully,

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