

North Dakota State's Attorneys' Association

February 6, 2025

To: House Energy & Natural Resources Committee
Hon. Chairman Porter
Hon. Vice-Chairs Anderson and Novak
Members of the Committee

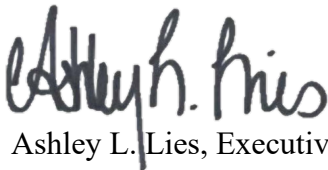
RE: House Bill No. 1301

Chairman Porter, Vice-Chairs Anderson and Novak, and Members of the House Energy & Natural Resources Committee:

The North Dakota State's Attorneys' Association (NDSAA) is submitting this letter requesting a **DO NOT PASS** to House Bill 1301.

The amendments of this Bill are intending to prevent non-violent offenders from having their rights to possess firearms taken away, but the list of misdemeanor offenses that are referenced that if committed by an offender can lead to their rights being taken away is non-inclusive of other crimes that should be included. Missing are other aggravated assaults and hunting offenses, just to name a few. We would like to see this list fleshed out if these changes are to be approved, however, we would prefer the law just stay the way it is currently written, giving the Court's discretion over many of these offenses.

On behalf of the North Dakota State's Attorneys:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ashley L. Lies". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "A" and a cursive "Lies".

Ashley L. Lies, Executive Director