

As a returned Peace Corps Volunteer, I am in support of HB1529. This bill adds successful Peace Corps Volunteers to the list of people who are resident students for tuition purposes.

After my Peace Corps service, I spent 38 years in the sunflower industry. I managed Agway Sunflower and then CHS Sunflower in Grandin, ND for thirty-five years. My Peace Corps experience (Philippines 72-74) contributed to the success of my career and the businesses I managed. I hope other Peace Corps volunteers will have opportunities as I have.

Returned Peace Corps Volunteers have acquired unique skills, experiences and are highly motivated. They often continue their academic education after completing their service. As residents here they are an asset to our state. Passing HB1529 is a small step to attract them to North Dakota.