

HB1254
Bill Testimony
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For the record, my name is Eric J. Murphy, and I represent District 43 in Grand Forks. Chairman Roers and honorable members of the Senate State and Local Government Committee, this bill is introduced on behalf of the State Librarian.

The intent of this bill is to expand library privileges at the State Library to all North Dakotans by allowing any North Dakotan to obtain a library card to the State Library as referenced in NDCC 54-24-03.

This new language strikes the language that requires an individual to live in an area without adequate library facilities as a requirement for a library card. Hence, this new language removes this restriction and allows all North Dakotans the ability to hold a library card to check out materials from the State Library.

This is a simple change in wording that was brought to my attention by the State Librarian, who is in support of this language change.

I request a do pass on HB1254.