In support of Approval Voting

Good morning!

My name is Eric Hanson, and I am a constituent from Fargo (District 44). I would like to speak against HB 1107. I love approval voting! The city of Fargo voted handedly to use approval voting in the city elections, and it has been very successful. Approval voting simply allows people to choose <u>all</u> of the people they support in a local election vs choosing between a lot of people with the same views.

This bill is nothing more than a suppression of home rule charter and takes away local control over local elections. If the state of North Dakota decides how localities can vote, where does that stop? The people deserve to have their will heard and followed and not overturned by the state government. Please keep local elections local and do not regulate them at the state level. I urge a DO NOT PASS recommendation for HB 1107.