Chairman Klemin and members of the Judiciary Committee,

I am Representative Claire Cory, from District 42, in Grand Forks, North Dakota. House bill 1389 is a simple bill on taxation and regulation of internet live poker. This bill is contingent on house concurrent resolution 3012 (see section 3).

Going through the bill:

Page 1, Line 12, Adds "including internet live poker, or lawful contests of"

Page 2, Line 1, Adds definitions as follows;

"Adjusted gross proceeds"

"Internet live poker"

"Licensed internet live poker establishment"

Page 2, Line 15, "licensure operation and regulation"

Page 2, Line 21, taxing through the attorney general's office

Page 3, Line 9, proceeds fund

Page 3, Line 24, "Contingent Effective Date"

This bill does not legalize any form of poker. There are already four states that allow legal online poker. New Jersey, Nevada, Pennsylvania, and Delaware. Can North Dakota be the next? Online live poker is already being played illegally in the state but it is not being regulated OR taxed. Vote for a do pass to allow the legislature to pre approve regulation and tax plans for live online poker.

I will stand for any questions.

Representative Claire Cory