Chairwoman Bell and members of the Senate Finance and Tax Committee.

My name is Jeff Albers. I live and work in Mandan, ND. Thank you for allowing me to submit testimony in support of HCR 3032.

I am asking for a do pass recommendation. I know several people that enjoy sports betting and have to use websites outside the country to place their bets because our state has not passed it here or like myself are unwilling to use those sites because of fraud. It would be nice to have a state regulated sports betting for the people of North Dakota and at the same time know that some of the proceeds are getting returned back into the community. This is why I would like to let the people of North Dakota vote to legalize sports betting.

Thank you, Chairwoman Bell and members of the committee, for considering my testimony.