Members of the Senate Human Services Committee:

I am a resident of District 13 (West Fargo) and a lifelong North Dakota resident. I am urging for a DO PASS on HB 1118; a Bill for an ACT to amend and reenact subsection 3 of 37-17.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the duration of a gubernatorial declaration of a disaster or emergency relating to public health and extension requests; and to declare an emergency.

2020 was quite a year, people can argue that what was done by the Government was what was needed to keep people safe, but was it? Since when does the State and Federal Government know what's best for the 330 million + residents and how they operate day to day? Businesses/Schools/Churches should have never been forced to shut down, it should have been left up to them on how they want to respond to the Pandemic. 2020 isn't the first time a virus will sweep through the world, and it won't be the last.

It is VERY important for the people to have a voice in decision making, especially when it's our health, livelihood and our rights being stripped away. It was obvious that those making the decisions didn't have to adhere to them the same, rules for thee but not for me.

Please vote YES or DO PASS on HB 1118 and let the Citizens of ND help make the tough decisions.

Thank you for all you do!