

HB 1036
Senate Judiciary Committee
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Testimony of Travis W. Finck, Executive Director, NDCLCI

Madam Chair Larson, members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, my name is Travis Finck and I am the executive director for the North Dakota Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents. The Commission is the state agency responsible for the delivery of indigent defense services in North Dakota. I rise today on behalf of the Commission to provide testimony in support of HB 1036.

HB 1036 seeks to have legislative management choose to study the juvenile justice process in the state of North Dakota in collaboration with the Commission on Juvenile Justice. The North Dakota Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents has been closely involved the juvenile reform measures within the state and supports a continuation of reform efforts. The reforms in several bills this session, including HB 1035, are a great start. However, there is more work to do. This study would allow that work to continue. With that in mind Madam. Chair, on behalf of the commission, we respectfully request a DO PASS recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Travis W. Finck', is written over a horizontal line.

Travis W. Finck

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