

**Do Pass Testimony
of Doug Sharbono, citizen of North Dakota
on HB1508
in 2021 Special Session, Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of ND**

Dear Chairs Lee and Weisz and members of the Joint Technical Corrections Committee,

I am writing as a citizen and believe HB1508 is good legislation and ask for a “Do Pass” on it.

Although Critical Race Theory is not officially in the curriculum of our local school district, many elements of it are already present. News media claims this claim is without evidence. We recently completed a Boy Scout Trip to the Black Hills. During the course of our hike when we climbed Black Elk Peak, my son was explaining to other scouts what he learned at school. We white people had apparently stolen the Black Hills from the native tribes.

This kind of polarizing teaching is unnecessary and untrue and is at the core of CRT. I didn't steal the black hills, nor did my ancestors. HB1508 will assist in preventing some of these misunderstandings and untruths.

Please do pass HB1508 for the benefit of our citizens in North Dakota. It will assist in reversing the discrimination CRT has thrust upon society.

Thank you,

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