68<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly

Testimony on HB 1526

Representatives: Dyk, Hoverson, Prichard, Rios, Timmons

Senator: Beard

I am here in support of House Bill #1526 for the following reasons:

- 1. HB1526 supports the protection of ALL kids in North Dakota but ensuring that transgender students will not be able to participate in sports except their Biological sex when born.
- 2. HB 1526 promotes banning SEL which is just another word for CRT in our ND Schools, we need to make sure that we are teaching math, science, history and English. Our student doesn't need political agendas pushed on them in schools by teachers and administrators.
- 3. HB1526 by putting BOUNDARIES on teachers' ability to address the emotional needs of students, this forces involvement of the parents when the teacher feels like there is a problem. Teachers are not counselors or social workers. I have had teachers indicate that I kid had ADHD, when taking my child to a MEDICAL DOCTOR, THE PROFESSIONAL said he was fine and JUST DIDN"T enjoy school. Who is the professional and has the training.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my support on this bill HB1526

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