

House Finance and Taxation
Chair Headland and Committee Members

HB 1266 Support With Amendment

Good morning,

My name is Anne Cleary and I am a small business owner in Downtown Bismarck, as well as a Bismarck City Commissioner. I encourage your support of HB 1266 to reinstate expired Renaissance Zones. The City of Bismarck recently approved the Together 2045 Comprehensive Plan, which included supporting reinstatement of Bismarck's Renaissance Zone.

From the plan, approved by the Board of City Commissioners on Dec. 27, 2022: "Advocate for changes to state law to allow a reinstatement of the Bismarck Renaissance Zone program." (page 67).

In 2022 the City of Bismarck, Bismarck Parks and Recreation District and Bismarck School Board all voted unanimously to support renewal of Bismarck's zone. I ask you for a DO PASS recommendation on HB 1266.

Sincerely,

Anne Cleary
Bismarck City Commissioner