

Dear Chair Weisz and members of the House Human Services Committee,

My testimony is in opposition to House Bill 1249. I ask that you give this bill a Do Not Pass.

I am a public school educator and a 29 year resident of North Dakota. HB 1249 actively harms the students I serve and people I love – family, friends, and community members.

All students deserve a free and appropriate public education. Please do not take away extracurricular opportunities for trans and non-binary students. Ostracization and isolation does not create a healthy community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Christopher Brown