



NORTH DAKOTA

Family Alliance LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Testimony Supporting House Bill 1458

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Good morning Chairman Weisz and honorable members of the House Human Services Committee. My name is Jacob Thomsen and I am a Policy Analyst for North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action. I am testifying on behalf of our organization in support of House Bill 1458 and respectfully request that you render a “DO PASS” on this bill.

We believe that the family is the most basic societal building block, after faith, which a good society is built upon. Families that find themselves in a situation involving child support have gone through a great amount of stress and conflict. Because of this, we believe that there does not need to be additional weight to bear in this situation. The individual who is paying child support should not have to pay more if they are taking less pay as a result of health insurance being provided to them through their occupation. That health insurance should count toward the child support.

Individuals that pay out of pocket for health insurance are already receiving this treatment. Those who do not pay out of pocket for health insurance, but through their occupation, should be treated by the same standard. For this reason, North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action requests that you render a “DO PASS” on House Bill 1458.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and I am happy to stand for any questions.