

March 21, 2023

Chair Larsen and members of the Senate Industry,

I am Emily Messmer, a 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher in Dickinson, North Dakota. I am writing to express my strong opposition to SB 2260. As an educator who has spent countless hours working to obtain credentials proving I am certified to educate the youth, I do not believe this bill respects me or others who have also put in the time. This bill puts an incredible burden on professional educators. I believe this bill will also create a wall between relationships educators have with students' families.

Respectfully submitted,

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