

As a mother of a transgender teen in the North Dakota, I strongly support HB 1537. HB 1537 would enact legislation that would track, discourage, and punish targeted crimes against people based upon their religion, race, color, gender, sexual orientation, or disability. North Dakotan citizens deserve the peace of mind that comes with HB 1537 as there should be repercussions for bias and hate in the state. Hate crimes not only target and impact a certain individuals but can affect the community as a whole. This bill offers an opportunity to let the citizens of the state and those who may want to relocate here to work that hate is not welcome here.

Please support HB 1537 with a Do Pass vote.