SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE Senate Bill 2336

March 7, 2023

Testimony Submitted by the Charitable Gaming Association of ND Bill Kalanek

The Charitable Gaming Association of North Dakota urges a **Do Pass** recommendation on SB 2336.

SB 2336 comes before the committee today as the result of a change in interpretation of the laws surrounding eligible uses of net proceeds for charitable gaming.

This change is also the result of conversations had with the Gaming Division director of the Attorney General's office who indicated an amendment to the code was necessary due to an internal re-interpretation that results in drastic change to how some charities operate.

- This bill has nothing to do with games or the conduct of gaming.
- This bill provides that a charity may separate expenses when gaming and non-gaming employees or offices are operating within the same real property.
- Will allow for more appropriate allocation of operations and charitable funds.

Simply put this bill would put into code what had become practice in the industry until the statute was reinterpreted by the Gaming Division of the Attorney General's office.

Thank you for your consideration of a **Do Pass** recommendation on SB 2336.