

Written testimony on House Bill 1158

Chairman Kannianen and Senate Finance and Taxation Committee Members

My name is Kevin Herrmann, 300 Fair St. SW, Beulah, ND 58523. I am a single independent North Dakota taxpayer.

I stand in opposition of House Bill 1158. First, I will start with Governor Burgum press release on August 24, 2022 stating no state income tax for married couple filing jointly under \$95,600 and single under \$54,725 but with House Bill 1158 has married couples filing jointly is under 74,750 and single under 44,725. The difference between press release and House Bill 1158 for married couples is \$20,850 and single is \$10,000. Why is there a difference between press release in August 24, 2022 and House Bill 1158? Who is not telling the truth?

Second, House Bill 1158 will keep the single individual in paying more in state income tax in order to subsidize married couples again. This bill will have single individual pay more in state income tax at \$44,725 compare to the current state income tax rate structure. At \$44,725 state tax income will be \$670.89 with this bill while the current state income tax rate at \$44,725 would be \$560.34. This is a tax increase of \$110.55 with House Bill 1158. Why does the Governor Burgum, Brian Kroshus and all sponsors of House Bill 1158 keep on screwing over single individuals? Who is not telling the truth?

I challenge all sponsors of House Bill 1158 to a public debate in front of the local press that House Bill 1158 is a tax increase for single individuals of income of \$44,725 or higher.

Again, I oppose House Bill 1158 because this bill is not a fair flat tax structure.

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