

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1263  
68<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
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Testimony of Travis W. Finck, Executive Director, NDCLCI

Madam Chair Larson, members of the Committee, my name is Travis Finck and I am the Executive Director for the North Dakota Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents. The Commission is the state agency responsible for delivery of public defense services in North Dakota.

The Commission rises in support of HB 1263. Individualized Justice Plans have been a valuable tool used to assist children. Individualized Justice Plans provide the juvenile court with another tool to help achieve the goals of the juvenile court, which is rehabilitation. The Commission has provided training to our attorneys on Individualized Justice Plans and our attorneys have found success in helping clients with these plans.

Madam Chair, members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, for the reasons stated herein, the Commission on Legal Counsel urges a DO PASS recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted:



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