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To: North Dakota House Judiciary Committee

Re: HB 1333 which criminalizes drag performers/performances

Committee Chair and members of the Committee -

My name is Jane Pettinger, I reside in Fargo. I was born and raised here. This note is to let you all know that as a lifelong North Dakotan, I stand in firm opposition to HB 1333.

This bill is such nonsense that I am kind of amazed I even need to write this letter. If you have any actual concern for children being sexually abused, let's take a look at who actually harms our children sexually; priests, youth ministers, and pastors. THAT is who we KNOW harms our children by grooming them carefully and then sexually abusing them. Of course, not all pastors, youth ministers, or priests do this. But I have NEVER heard of a drag performer harming a child. Never. Not once. Why is this bill needed? What problem is it resolving? What constituents is it serving? Seriously!? What the heck are we spending time on this issue for?

Jeez. Why is this an issue?

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