

To: Chairperson Larson & Senate Judiciary Committee

From: Katie Paulson McKenzie County Recorder

Re: SB 2381

Chairperson Larson & Committee Members,

My name is Katie Paulson and I am the McKenzie County Recorder in Watford City.

I am encouraging your committee to Do Pass Senate Bill 2381 in relation to the established procedures for releasing a will kept for safekeeping upon the death of the testator. Having clear guidelines for the recorders and interested parties requirements rooted in law protects everyone. Without this established procedure the county recorders hold a high liability for not getting the sealed will to the right place. The update to these procedures will provide clear guidelines that can easily be followed by both the public and the county office.

Please vote Do Pass for SB 2381.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Katie Paulson

McKenzie County Recorder