

Support of HB 1491

Chairman Heinert and Members of the House Education Committee, my name is Chris Jorde from Towner and I am submitting testimony in favor of HB 1491. As a parent of students from TGU school district, and a sitting school board member of the TGU school board, I personally question the inconsistencies of the "Hardship Waiver" granted from the NDHSAA. I am testifying against the current 1-year probation period imposed on a current student for a serious family medical condition; which has brought this student back "HOME" to our district to be closer to his family during this critical time of unanticipated medical circumstances. I believe that there should be reasonable hardship waivers granted in real life situations and why I believe there shouldn't be any rules for transferring students if they are not going to be consistently enforced for all students!

For these reasons I recommend a "Do Pass" recommendation in favor of HB 1491.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Chris Jorde