

Do Not Pass Testimony for HB 1446
of Rob Muntz, North Dakota Citizen

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Chairman Schauer, Vice Chairman Satrom, and Members of the Government & Veterans Affairs Committee

I am writing today to strongly urge a Do Not Pass for HB 1446.

The idea of removing the opportunity for the electorate to participate in the endorsing of a candidate in their legislative district or at the state convention will lead to voter disenfranchisement and the destruction of district and state political parties.

This not only infringes on First Amendment Rights but almost certainly hands the race to those with the deepest pockets.

Doubling the number of required signatures for a statewide candidate places an undue & unnecessary financial burden on campaigns.

There is no widespread outcry to eliminate the endorsing process in North Dakota.

Please vote for a Do Not Pass recommendation for HB 1446.

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