

Please vote YES and DO Pass on HB 1505. The ND Ethics Commission needs authority to act, and legislators need to take seriously complaints about conflicts of interest or other concerning behavior. Legislators are not above the law, and they cannot always self-regulate effectively and transparently. That is why the Ethics Commission was created and why it got voter support on the citizen-initiated referendum that added it to state law. There have been a couple of high-profile cases recently where legislative misbehavior and conflicts of interest were publicly reported and verified but the legislature did not see any violation or cause for complaint—when the violation [e.g., using state funds for private travel, using state funds to help fund a private business] was clearly such, and the legislators involved need to be disciplined not only under law but by the legislature itself. PASS HB 1505

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