



Empowering families to thrive by providing community-driven resources that foster safe and nurturing environments for children.

**House Bill No. 1410**

**House Judiciary Committee**

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Chairman Klein and Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

My name is Christy Dodd and I am the Executive Director of Families Flourish ND (formerly Prevent Child Abuse North Dakota) and I am in support of HB 1410.

This study would provide a look at state laws relating to criminal conduct against children. It would look at changing outdated wording of sexual performance which connotes active and willing participation in sexual abuse for children to Child Sexually Abusive Materials . It would also look at laws relating to AI for crimes relating to child sexual abuse.

Due to these reasons, I want to encourage the committee to give HB a Do-Pass recommendation. I appreciate your time, and I am happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you.