

North Dakota State's Attorneys' Association

February 4, 2025

To: House Transportation Committee
Hon. Chairman Ruby
Hon. Vice-Chair Grueneich
Members of the Committee

RE: House Bill No. 1206

Chairman Ruby, Vice-Chair Grueneich, and Members of the House Transportation Committee:

The North Dakota State's Attorneys' Association (NDSAA) is submitting this letter requesting a **DO PASS** to House Bill 1206.

For years North Dakota has had mandatory minimums for driving under the influence offenses that increase for each violation. The current law on committing a DUI with a minor in the vehicle, however, only has a mandatory fine and a maximum jail sentence.

We support this Bill's change to setting mandatory minimum penalties including mandatory participation in the 24/7 sobriety program among other provisions. Committing a DUI with a minor in the vehicle should have mandatory punishments that are more severe than just committing a DUI without a minor in the vehicle.

On behalf of the North Dakota State's Attorneys:


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