



NORTH DAKOTA

Family Alliance LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 2205

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Dear Madam Chair Larson and honorable members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

My name is Mark Jorritsma and I am the Executive Director of North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action. I am testifying on behalf of our organization in support of Senate Bill 2205 and respectfully request that you render a “DO PASS” on this bill.

Our organization is, and always has been, opposed to legalized gambling in North Dakota. In part, we are opposed to gambling given the variety of disorders and negative secondary impacts it can create for North Dakota families. It is vital that we as a state help our citizens deal with these issues sooner as opposed to later – particularly before gambling disorders create even worse problems down the road. Thus, we agree with additional funding of the gambling prevention and treatment fund.

While we would have liked to see even more funding go towards help for those with gambling disorders, we appreciate the continuation of this important program, and the additional funding proposed in this bill. For these reasons, North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action asks that you please render a “DO PASS” on Senate Bill 2205.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony, and feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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