

In Opposition to HB 1255 – reduction of funding to Prairie Public Broadcasting

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I am a well informed citizen because of Prairie Public Broadcasting.

Morning Edition, All Things Considered, Weekend Edition are programs I listen to all week long on the radio.

Nova, Nature, Finding Our Roots, and other television programming are informative and fascinating features available nowhere else. My grandsons enjoy the children's shows, too.

That is just the public face, and I understand there is more infrastructure to the network upon which the emergency communications depend.

There are well known costs and hidden costs to operating Prairie Public Broadcasting, and they each need public support.

In short, Prairie Public Broadcasting informs, enriches, entertains and undergirds my life and many others. It deserves our support, and taking State funding away, impoverishes the quality of life in North Dakota.

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