

I vote in opposition to HB 1255 to take funding away from Prairie Public Broadcasting. I watched PBS programming as a child growing up and I learned so much from it. My daughter also grew up watching PBS and the local programs that Prairie Public creates. I have learned so much about our state through the local programming. I watch the Legislative Review program that they put on as well, in order to watch and listen to our upcoming representatives. Prairie Public Broadcasting is worth funding, especially at only \$2 per person in the biennium. I can't imagine my future grandchildren not being able to learn from Prairie Public whether local programming or national. I also have learned that Prairie Public travels out into the community to rural locations and provides educational supplies and learning to students, as well as training to teachers. What a fantastic organization our great state of North Dakota has. I understand the trimming of budgets, but why would you take money away from an education/programming entity that helps our future generations become smarter and more well rounded?