

## **HB 1255 - Do NOT Pass (bill to discontinue PPTV funding)**

Dear members of the Senate State and Local Government Committee,

My name is Connie Hoffman, a lifelong resident of North Dakota, currently residing in Fargo, ND.

I urge a Do NOT Pass on HB1255, which proposes to discontinue state and federal funding for Prairie Public TV (PPTV).

Vote do NOT Pass for the following reasons:

1. PPTV provides radio and TV to the entire state of North Dakota, including the most rural areas, without having to purchase cable or internet services. My retired math teacher loves it.
2. PPTV provides educational programming for children, available in homes and also to local schools, day care programs and home school programs.
3. PPTV provides historical and musical programming for enjoyment.
4. PPTV provides reliable, unbiased, professional journalism, in contrast to news networks comprised of political talk shows.
5. PPTV controls the Early Warning System (EWS) to alert ND residents of potential dangerous weather conditions.

Thank you.  
Connie Hoffman  
Fargo, ND