

Good morning:

I am submitting testimony in strong opposition to HB 1255.

I grew up on a farm in southwest ND. My parents continued to live on the farm after we kids all left. We all loved Prairie Public and the variety of programs available, including the local stories.

My family continues to watch Prairie Public every day due to the variety of programming and for the absence of so-called REALITY programming that proliferates the other broadcast networks. It has so many educational and instructive programs, and their news is fact-based.

Prairie Public deserves continued funding. This bill is just so unnecessary when there are so many other things that need to be addressed.

Please continue to support PUBLIC television with my tax dollars.

I urge Legislators to oppose HB 1255.

Thank you.

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