

Written testimony opposing H.B. 1255 by Mary Hoberg

To members of the North Dakota Senate:

I write to urge you to vote NO on H.B. 1255 that would cut state funding for Prairie Public. My involvement with Prairie Public's predecessor entity goes back to the late 1960's in Fargo when I recorded a piano solo for a locally-produced musical program as a teenager. My husband and I have supported both radio and TV arms of Prairie Public as members for decades. I remember watching Masterpiece Theatre on Sunday evenings in our first home in Bismarck just a block south of the capitol. This was fall 1977. These days we still tune in for news, arts, science, and history programming, plus other features. Our children grew up with Today's Special, Mr. Rogers, Sesame Street and other iconic children's programming. Prairie Public is a lifeline to people of all ages across our state. Its continued service is a true quality-of-life issue. Please vote NO on H.B. 1255.

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