In Support of HB1255

Chairman and Committee Members.

I am writing in support of HB1255 which would remove state funding to public broadcasting. My children enjoyed various educational type programs when they were younger and I supported PBS in various ways. That said, I do not believe it is the responsibility of the state taxpayers to continue to fund this broadcasting network.

Two questions previously asked during a committee discussion stuck out to me.

1- When asked if PBS needs the funding, they stated "No" They get large support through donations.

2- When asked if losing this fund would cause hardships, they again said "No" The amount given to them is no minimal that they would not miss having it.

Those two answered to very good questions tell me that those opposing this bill have not asked the right questions.

Please Vote to end the use of public funds to support public broadcasting. I respectfully ask for a DO PASS vote on HB1255.

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