

Please do not advance Bill SB 2178 to create multiple primary ballots.

For multiple reasons, to orchestrate multiple primary ballots is an excessive expense of labor and costs. In the event more than 2 parties were to run, multiple columns could be established, too. Voting in ND has become more and more restrictive and complicated in recent years without cause and this is another complication to what should be a simple and trusted grace.

It is also irrelevant as to how a person votes in the primary and discourages independent abilities to vote to find the appropriate candidates who reflect an individuals considerations to policies.

To hold and record a person's vote and risk the potential of public exposure is a threat to supporting the trust of the People. It is intimidating and again, a waste of resources, labor and expenses.

Please, vote no and oppose Bill SB 2178. Or, if possible, withdraw it and give more time to other considerations to improve the health, citizenship, and communities throughout North Dakota.

best,

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