

Greetings Chairman Kasper and Distinguished Members of the Committee,

I am a lifelong resident of North Dakota. In my 11 years as a qualified elector, I have never missed an opportunity to vote whether in a general, primary, or special election. I have enjoyed though not taken for granted the ease of showing up at the polls and being relatively assured that I would be able to fulfill my civic duty that day without hassle. I am a happy homeowner now and don't worry much about changing addresses or ID requirements. However, as an NDSU alumna and former renter, I understand the transience that can mark the early years of adulthood. HB 1289 would severely restrict the ability of young adults and new residents to exercise their constitutional right to vote. This bill is undemocratic and I urge you to stand up for freedom and representation by recommending Do Not Pass. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,  
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