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House Political Subdivisions  
Rep. Dockter, Chairman  
SB 2254

Chairman Dockter and members of the Committee. For the record, Blake Crosby, Executive Director, North Dakota League of Cities.

I want to thank the bill sponsor for coming to me, explaining the situation and asking for our input before submitting the bill for numbering. We reviewed the bill with a number of cities and what you have before you is acceptable. The situation was really a "one-off" but the time frame needed to be changed irrespective.

Cities on the grow need to annex property and those property owners need to have a bit more time to be notified and allowed to respond. This bill accomplishes both those ends.

I respectfully ask for a DO-PASS on SB 2254. Thank you for your time and consideration. I will try to answer any questions.