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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1284

Senate Judiciary Committee

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Brandon Bochenski, Mayor, City of Grand Forks, ND

Chairperson Diane Larson and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, my name is Brandon Bochenski and I am the Mayor for the City of Grand Forks. I want to express my gratitude for the opportunity to provide testimony today. I stand today in favor of House Bill 1284.

The City of Grand Forks has found great success with regulated, co-mingled special events. These events are filtered through our City's dedicated Special Events Manager, patrolled by city police and private security, and many are required to provide public safety plans that are approved by city officials, i.e.: city police, fire department, public health, streets, and other city government offices.

I fully support allowing our license holders being able to operate in more innovative and collaborative ways. This is one more way these businesses can rebound from COVID-19.

I, Mayor Brandon Bochenski of Grand Forks asks for a DO PASS for HB 1284.