

Dear Senators, I am writing in opposition to HB 1254. I ask that you give this bill a Do Not Pass.

This bill is a dangerous and harmful affront to the human rights of North Dakotans. HB 1254 is discriminatory and aims to undermine the current standards of care for transgender individuals and is an effort to undermine all North Dakotan healthcare professionals the ability to do their jobs responsibly.

I firmly believe that HB 1254 would not protect North Dakotan youths, but rather further disenfranchise them from successful and prosperous futures by not providing transgender individuals the lifesaving health care they deserve. We all want the future generations of North Dakota to grow up happy, healthy, and hopeful to give back to their communities, but HB 1254 severely limits an entire population's ability to do so.

As a lifelong resident of North Dakota, I urge the committee to listen to the experts in the field and give HB 1522 a Do Not Pass.