

Dear Members of the House Human Services Committee,

I am writing today in opposition to HB 1332 that regulates social workers and allows conversion therapy.

Everyone who seeks mental health help needs someone to listen to them and take their concerns seriously. If social workers use their position of power to convince their clients that they should not identify as who they are, they are violating the social work code of ethics. This leads to more mental health crises and more young people abandoning the state just to stay safe. Please help keep our LGBTQ youth safe and able to enjoy the benefits of the state of North Dakota.

I urge you to give this bill a Do Not Pass vote.

Sincerely,

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