

North Dakota House Judiciary Committee

Committee Chair and members of the Committee:

My name is Vicki Rosenau and I am a resident of Valley City, ND, where I have lived for 50 years. I am writing in opposition to H.B. 1205.

I oppose this bill because it would enact obvious censorship and censorship is un-American. Communist and other totalitarian governments regularly impose censorship, but democratic governments like ours do not and must not, because democracy cannot survive under censorship.

I oppose this bill because, if enacted into law, it would prove very costly to North Dakota taxpayers like myself. The bill is in clear violation of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. If approved, it would be challenged in courts of law at great, avoidable expense to the State of North Dakota.

Thank you very much for receiving my input regarding H.B. 1205.

--Vicki Rosenau
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