

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Testimony of Travis R Zablotney HB1446

February 6, 2025

Chairman Schauer and members of the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee:

I ask you to recommend a do not pass on HB1446. I am Travis Zablotney resident of Minot, Chairman of District 5 NDGOP and Regional Chairman and member of the Executive Committee of the NDGOP. This is my personal testimony.

Thorough and compelling written testimony has been provided to you from the likes of Andrew Bornemann, Josie Milbradt, Matt Evans and Matt Simon and others. In addition, in-person testimony from Sandi Sanford NDGOP Chairwoman and John Trandem NDGOP First Vice-Chair has also been provided. I simply want to make known my support for their testimonies and my complete opposition to HB1446 as a member of the NDGOP.

The group of sponsors of this bill simply have an axe to grind as all things did not work out for them politically and exactly how they would have expected in their districts or at the NDGOP State Convention. The grassroots district committee members or convention delegates did not fully support them in their political endeavors. Sour grapes they claim!

As a result of these "sour grapes" they would rather attempt to destroy the party than to accept the results of a District Candidate Nomination Convention or the NDGOP State Convention. They would rather see the Republican brand co-opted by those who can simply 'claim' to be Republicans on the primary ballot rather than carry the endorsement of the District Committee or State Party delegates.

I STRONGLY URGE A DO NOT PASS ON HB1446

Respectfully,

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