

OPPOSITION TESTIMONY HB 1200 – DON SAXTON, SELF, SIOUX FALLS

It's my understanding the HB1200 is now before the Senate State Affairs. I would like to make a comment on this bill.

Regarding House Bill 1200, requiring essentially 1000 signatures from each legislative district to put an initiative measure on the ballot...do we have the same requirement within the legislature, that at least one representative from each district be a cosponsor on every bill brought before the legislature? After all, we want to make sure every bill has support from all parts of the state. Inquiring minds want to know.

If I'm missing something regarding this bill, I welcome an explanation. But since the entire state would get to vote on the amendment in order for it to become law, it seems to me that the every district clause doesn't really hold water.

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