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South Dakota House of Representatives
Taxation Committee Written Testimony

Dear Chair and members of the House Taxation Committee,

I regret that I am unable to attend today's meeting in person, but would like to state for the official record that Arts South Dakota, on behalf of the constituents we serve, ask that you vote NO on House Bill 1206. We support the culturally significant and economically sound work of the Department of Tourism and the South Dakota Arts Council. The current model works, has proven results and we ask that you not change a very successful program. Losing this funding and the work it supports would be a detriment to all citizens of South Dakota.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Speirs, Executive Director
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