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2003 HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

HB 1393

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1393

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 1-30-03

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| Committee Clerk Signature <i>Greg Rawick</i> | | | |

Minutes: Chairman Klein: called the hearing on HB 1393 to order. All committee members were present.

Representative Ken Svedjan: was present and handed out testimony on HB 1393 in favor of HB 1393. This is a short and simple bill what we are intending to do here is to place the name of the Ralph Engelstad Arena in code. Some of you might look at this as being a memorial, but it really is not, what we are wanting to do is acknowledge a significant gift to the state of N.D. in the neighborhood of 104,000,000 dollars. A copy of the letter from Ralph Englestad to the Governor at that time, will be handed out.

(SEE ATTACHED TESTIMONY OF LETTER).

What we are doing here is not unusual it has happened before in Century Code 54-02-11

(SEE ATTACHED TESTIMONY).

(SEE ATTACHED TESTIMONY) on sales tax generated from the Ralph Englestad Arena presented by Representative Ken Svedjan.

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Earl Strinden, former Representative, Majority Leader: I look back with fond memories in my 22 years of service. Why name this facility, Ralph Engelstad? He was determined to have the facility built as soon as possible, we are now in the process of making this a non-profit charitable organization all of the revenues will go as a benefit as the donor had wished.

The reason for putting it in a statute is when the family, came up after Ralph's death, the question came up is how do we know that maybe someone will decide to change the name. Yes, it could be changed sometime but the process it would have to come before the legislature to do it. One of the largest gifts made, ranking among the top 10 in the entire nation for a gift, total gift asking for nothing, it was a gift for the people of N.D. for the benefit of our state as pointed out in his letter to the Governor. It will be very meaningful for the family, and hopefully along the way there will other Ralph Engelstads, that will favor our state.

Chuck Stroup, President, Board of Higher Education: The board hasn't taken up this bill, and we don't have a position per say, I think the general idea of the legislature getting in the business of naming buildings is a bad one, because you can see all the concerns. I can see why you want to support this bill by the amount of the gift. I don't want to step on anyones toes, and I hope you will appreciate that.

Governor Ed Schafer: I do have some interest of HB 1393. As you know it is a magnificent structure in Grand Forks, and I was Governor during the time that this donation took place. In discussions with Ralph, the gift was not only a gift to the university but also a gift to the state of North Dakota. And the family will be honored if we permanently put it in statute, that the building would be named the Ralph Engelstad Arena. I would urge you consideration for this vision, thank you for the opportunity to make some comments.

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No opposition on HB 1393.

Representative Winrich: made a **DO PASS MOTION** on HB 1393.

Representative Haas: **SECOND** the motion.

VOTE 14 YES 0 NO 0 ABSENT.

Representative Grande: will carry the bill to the floor.

Meeting adjourned.

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Date: 1-30-03
 Roll Call Vote #: 1393

**2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
 BILL/RESOLUTION NO.**

House GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken D.P.

Motion Made By Rep. Winrich Seconded By Rep. Haas

| Representatives | Yes | No | Representatives | Yes | No |
|---------------------------|-----|----|-----------------|-----|----|
| Chairman M.M. Klein | X | | B. Amerman | X | |
| Vice Chairman B.B. Grande | X | | L. Potter | X | |
| W.R. Devlin | X | | C. Williams | X | |
| C.B. Haas | X | | L. Winrich | X | |
| J. Kasper | X | | | | |
| L.R. Klemin | X | | | | |
| L. Meier | X | | | | |
| M. Sitte | X | | | | |
| W.W. Tieman | X | | | | |
| R.H. Wikenheiser | X | | | | |
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Total (Yes) 14 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Rep. Grande

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
January 30, 2003 11:50 a.m.

Module No: HR-18-1345
Carrier: Grande
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1393: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. M. Klein, Chairman)
recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).
HB 1393 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1393

Senate Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 03/06/03

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Minutes:

Senator Karen Krebsbach, Chairman opens HB 1393. Senator Fairfield is absent.

Representative Svedjan, introduces bill, (Testimony attached) The reason we want this placed in code is so that if anyone down the road would want to change it they would have to come before the state legislature to do so. Ralph Engelstad donated this \$100 million building as a gift to the state of North Dakota and to the City of Grand Forks. With an amount of that size we feel that there is no doubt the name should be in question. This has nothing to do with the Sioux nickname, it recognizes a significant gift given to ND. Our general fund is benefiting each month from this building.

Senator Nelson : Is the Alerus Center on state land?

Rep. Svedjan: No it is city owned.

Senator Nelson : Do you see this leading to other colleges sending names to go to state code to sent in their names in code?

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Rep. Svedjan: I don't know

Earl Strinden: representing himself.: Ralph Engelstad wanted this to be a gift to ND and to UND. He wanted it built to give Grand Forks something to grow off of after the flood. This is in honor of a gift of this magnitude.

Senator Brown: What is the plan for the old Englestad arena?

Strinden: It is vacant. It is a possibility for future use to be renovated and possibly used for sports, but I feel the amount of \$ it will cost, it will probably be torn down.

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Senator Dever asks Senator Krebsbach for the gable.

Senator Krebsbach moves for a Do pass on HB 1393

Senator Nelson 2nd

5 yes 0 No 1 Absent

Carrier: Senator Krebsbach

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Date: 3/6/03
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1393

Senate Government and Veteran Affairs Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Krebsbach Seconded By Nelson

| Senators | Yes | No | Senators | Yes | No |
|-------------------------------|-----|----|-------------------------|-----|----|
| Senator Karen Krebsbach, Chr. | ✓ | | Senator April Fairfield | ✓ | |
| Senator Dick Dever, Vice Chr. | ✓ | | Senator Carolyn Nelson | | |
| Senator Richard Brown | ✓ | | | | |
| Senator Rich Wardner | ✓ | | | | |
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Floor Assignment Krebsbach

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