



HB1314

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Chairman Lefor and members of the committee:

For the record, my name is Darin King and I am the Vice Chancellor of IT and CIO for the North Dakota University System. Thank you for allowing me a few minutes to speak in support of HB 1314.

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education implemented [Policy 1202.2 – Incident Response](#) in April of 2018 with the purpose of directing NDUS institutions to develop incident response plans that ensure “prompt and consistent reporting of and response to IT security incidents”.

Overall, my support for HB 1314 is quite strong. However, I would encourage the review of the reporting thresholds within the bill. A ten thousand dollar reporting threshold for a large organization could require the reporting of a very minor incident. The same threshold for a small organization would be a major incident that should be reported.

In many ways, HB 1314 will do for the state what Policy 1202.2 has done for the North Dakota University System. The identification, reporting, and collaborative response to cyber security incidents across state government will dramatically strengthen our collective ability to protect the people, data, and assets of North Dakota.

I respectfully ask for a “Do Pass” of HB 1314 with consideration of possible amendments to reporting thresholds.

Thank You.