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RE: HB 1431 - Support

Chair Bell and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this written testimony. My name is Kim Schneider and I represent the North Dakota Association of Builders. Our home building industry is proud to support a growing North Dakota and we are fueled by the talents of workers including electricians, plumbers, masons, carpenters, and the many trades that make up the construction industry. We partner with six local associations across North Dakota located in Fargo, Grand Forks, Bismarck-Mandan, Minot, Dickinson, and Williston. HB 1431 is a bill that provides funding for critical infrastructure projects.

Prior to crossover, this bill also had funding for Career and Technical Education specified for local cities which included Bismarck, Dickinson, Fargo, Watford City, and Minot. The bill also included a competitive grant program. This funding is vital for the students and future workforce in the building industry. We would encourage discussion to bring back the CTE funding in HB 1431.

Finally, HB 1431 addresses the needs for flood control and helps with the high cost. The Mouse River enhanced flood control project and the Fargo diversion project are of high importance to our members, and we appreciate the support on this important matter.

On behalf of the North Dakota Association of Builders and our 2,000 members across the state, we urge a Do Pass recommendation on HB 1431.

We appreciate the support and continued partnership,

Kim Schneider
Chief Executive Officer
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