TESTIMONY OF SCOTT MILLER

House Bill 1029 – Technical Correction to Allow Stop-Loss Coverage

Good Morning, my name is Scott Miller. I am the Executive Director of the North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System, or NDPERS. I am here to testify in favor of House Bill 1029.

House Bill 1029 corrects a correction we tried to do last session, but did poorly. Last session we intended to remove the requirement that the NDPERS Board obtain stoploss insurance for self-insured pharmacy coverage, which we did because there is no stop-loss insurance generally available for pharmacy coverage. However, in making that change, we inadvertently prohibited us from obtaining that coverage if it is ever available. We did not mean to do that. This change fixes that issue more accurately.

That concludes my testimony. I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have.