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Mr. Chairman and Committee members; I'm Senator Merrill Piepkorn, representing north Fargo's District 44. I'm here to introduce Senate Bill 2295, regarding the net metering of electricity. In a nutshell, and others who will follow me will explain it in detail...but in a nutshell, net metering is a billing mechanism that allows consumers who own their own power generation system, rooftop solar for example, to dispatch back into the electrical grid any excess power they cannot use, and be compensated for that by the power provider. Several other states have net metering policies in place, and they may vary significantly from state-to-state. Perhaps it is time to not just allow net metering, but to encourage the process. There are several people who have either submitted written testimony and others who are queued up to testify in favor of the bill. Before I return to my committee meeting next door, there are just a few terms I'd like to point out.

Refer to SB 2295

So if it's all right with you, I'll step aside making room for the experts in the field. Thank you for your time.