## North Dakota Township Officers Association Promoting basic Grassroots Government!

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## **Senate Political Subdivisions Committee**

## To oppose SB 2324

Good morning Chairman Burckhard and members of the Senate Political Subdivisions Committee. I am Larry Syverson, the Executive Secretary of the North Dakota Township Officers Association. NDTOA represents the nearly 6,000 Township Officers that serve 1,317 organized ND Townships.

Nick West the Grand Forks County Engineer has submitted testimony expressing his concern that SB 2324 would be an unfunded mandate on the counties. Our concerns for townships are the same; if you add townships to Nick's text he has very well stated our position.

NDTOA opposes SB 2324 as an unfunded mandate, and unless a way can be found to address the cost. I must respectfully ask that you give it a do not pass recommendation

Thank you, Chairman Burckhard and committee members; that concludes my prepared statement; I will try to answer any questions you may have.