

**HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
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**North Dakota Department of Transportation
Brad Schaffer, Director of Driver License**

HB 1406

Good morning Chairman Ruby and members of the committee. I am Brad Schaffer, Director of Driver License for the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT).

I am here today on behalf of the NDDOT in opposition of House Bill 1406, a bill that removes the requirement of an applicant's social security number (SSN) on the operator's application.

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 383.153 requires the SSN be provided on the application for any applicant applying for a Commercial Learner's Permit or Commercial Driver's License.

In addition, the Real ID Act requires the applicant to provide physical proof of their SSN that contains their full SSN in order to be scanned to the database to remain in compliance.

All applicants SSN's are verified with the Social Security Online Verification (SSOLV) to ensure credentials are issued to the correct individuals. In the event of suspected fraud, applications may be used as evidence and the provided social security number may be used in the investigation.

This concludes my testimony. Thank You