

## NORTH DAKOTA STATE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL

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To the Honorable Curt Kreun and Member Senators of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee

RE: Senate Bill 2301; Utilizing Local Workers

Representing workers in the commercial, industrial, and residential construction industries from foundation to finish, we are committed to promoting, recruiting, and developing careers in the skilled trades in North Dakota. With new forms of electrical generation being developed to complement the "all-of-the-above" directive of the state, having a reporting mechanism to identify local workforce utilization would be fundamental to promoting jobs for North Dakotans. As such, the North Dakota State Building and Construction Trades Council is in support of SB 2301.

With this bill, we feel it would contribute to local economic impacts, address local workforce development, and utilize more fully the resources of the state of North Dakota for its citizenry.

We respectfully urge a do pass recommendation for SB 2301.

With Kindest Regards, I am

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