

Good morning, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. I'm Brad Schaffer, Director of Driver License for the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT). I'm here to provide information relating to HB 1280.

House Bill 1280 would allow the restoration of revoked or suspended licenses upon successful completion of drug court. The proposed language states the director shall reinstate the driving privileges of the individual for any suspension or revocation imposed under law. There are many suspensions that do not relate to drug court such as fail to appear, no liability, failure to file proof of insurance and child support. Any commercial related suspensions that would be released before the FMCSA (Federal Motor Carrier Administration) suspension timeframe is up such as disqualifications relating to railroad crossings, out of service orders, and human trafficking would put us out of compliance with the FMCSA.

This bill would also allow the issuance of a temporary restricted license to someone who is suspended in another state.

As we understand the language in this bill, it seems it conflicts with suspension and revocation of licenses in other portions of century code: 39-06-03(2), 39-06-31, 39-06-35, 39-06-36, and 39-06-49 (reinstatement fees).

Mr. Chairman, that concludes my testimony. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.