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House Bill No. 1081

House Transportation Committee
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Good morning, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. I'm Robin Rehborg, Deputy Director for Driver Safety for the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT). I'm here to introduce and support HB 1081.

House Bill 1081 provides for a study on an electric vehicle charging tax. The study is intended to determine the feasibility and impact to the public of an electric vehicle charging tax to offset lost motor fuel tax revenue due to use of electric vehicles by out-of-state drivers. The revenue collected from motor fuel tax is used to fund the NDDOT. These revenues are already declining as vehicles become more fuel-efficient and as the surge in production and purchase of new electric vehicles continues. With electric vehicle charging infrastructure being implemented through the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program, which is included in the federal funding bill (IIJA), we expect it will impact the revenue collection further.

The NDDOT intends to collaborate with the Tax Department and Public Service Commission on the study.

This concludes my testimony. Thank You.