



1 Testimony in Support with Amendment

2 SB 2356

3 Chairman Elkin and members of the Senate Education Committee. For the record my
4 name is Dr. Aimee Copas. I serve as the executive director for the North Dakota Council
5 of Educational Leaders serving your K12 school leaders and directors.

6 I come to you today generally supportive of this bill with a request for a minor but
7 important amendment. I did visit with Senator Rust, the bill's sponsor with a request
8 for an amendment and he was agreeable to such request.

9 This request is that this bill be in action except for when it is in conflict with other areas
10 of century code or a court order that schools are obligated to execute. An example would
11 be when we are not allowed to have such parent attend due to that court order for the
12 safety of the student, or perhaps if that parent would be a convicted felon (example,
13 sexual predator, etc). These instances are covered in century code and in court orders
14 and we respectfully ask that you include this language to ensure we are in compliance
15 with the law and courts.

16 Thank you for your consideration.