

TESTIMONY OF

Maj. Thomas Iverson, Chief of Operations

Good morning, Mr. Chair, and members of the committee. My name is Major Tom Iverson and I serve as the chief of operations for the North Dakota Highway Patrol. I am here to provide testimony for HB 1487.

As mentioned by Supervisory Special Agent Lenertz, we have had struggles with finding suitable office space in Minot. Currently, we are in a short-term lease with our current landlord and have had some struggles with the maintenance of the building. Additionally, the status of the building ownership is uncertain to explore longer term lease and significant building maintenance options at our current office space.

Like BCI, we have explored other space in Minot and have not found anything acceptable due to cost and location.

Moving forward, the NDHP will be exploring options such as provided in this bill should it become available or continuing to find lease space to meet our needs.

This concludes my testimony. I would appreciate your support for this bill, and I will stand for any questions.