

TO: House Industry, Business, and Labor Committee
From: Isai Rojas, VP of North Dakota Barber Board of Examiners
Date: 1/20/25

RE: In support to House Bill 1314

To the Committee,

On behalf of the North Dakota Barber Board of Examiners; we appreciate the time and consideration of house bill 1314.

As we step into a new era as a country and state, we stand upon a pinnacle overlooking the horizon filled with good faith, hope and charity. The North Dakota Board of Examiners strongly believe we can be an example of creativity and innovation by promoting economic growth and demolishing potential barriers. Bill 1314 does exactly that.

Given the current population of North Dakota, we have pockets of communities that have to travel great distances for certain essential goods and services. Barbers in particular fall into this category. Bill #1314 proposes a practical solution to this need. A Mobile Barbershop is defined as a barbershop operated in a mobile vehicle or mobile structure for the exclusive use of practicing barbering services performed by a licensed Barber. This mobile structure will have the ability to also reach residents in various unique situations; for example residents in hospitals, hospice care, institutions, etc.

The Mobile Barbershop will also contribute to the state's economic ecosystem by encouraging entrepreneurship and adding revenue to state and local municipalities. As members of the North Dakota state board of Barber examiners and actively a part of the Barbering industry as a whole, we would like to thank the committee for allowing us to support bill #1314 in efforts to help further grow the economy of North Dakota and enhance the quality of life for our residents and professionals.

Sincerely,

Isai Rojas
VP ND Barber board of examiners.