## Testimony Before the Senate Appropriations Government Operations Division SB 2345 Monday, February 3, 2025

Chair Wanzek and members of the Committee, for the record, I am Nick Archuleta, and I am the president of North Dakota United. ND United is the largest union of public employees in our state. On behalf of our 11,000 members, including state employees, I am encouraging a *do pass* recommendation for SB 2345.

Members of the Committee, the resolute and diligent men and women that comprise our state employee workforce make our state tic. They are responsible for enacting the will of the legislature and providing the excellent services that all North Dakotans deserve and expect. Whether they are plowing and fixing our roads, auditing our taxes, or providing a vast array of public services, their efforts continue to make North Dakota the best place in America to raise our families and earn our livings.

With gratitude for the work they do and appreciation for what their efforts add to the quality of our lives, please give SB 2345 a *do pass* recommendation and let North Dakota's public employees know that their excellent work does not go unnoticed.