



## **Senate Energy and Natural Resources**

### **SB2340**

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Chairman Patten and members of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee. My name is Wayde Sick, and I serve as the State Director for the Department of Career and Technical Education. I am submitting testimony in support of SB2340.

This study, which includes Career and Technical Education, would help address the workforce needs of the fire service industry. I am optimistic the results of this study will open more opportunities for North Dakota students to learn about career opportunities in fire service through career exploration and high school fire service programs.

This concludes my testimony, and I am happy to stand for any questions.