

Testimony
SB 2360
Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee
Senator Kathy Hogan
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Chairman Patton and members of the committee, Senate Bill 2360 is a bill that I was asked to introduce by a constituent.

After a brief discussion regarding the possibility of developing geothermal energy as another option to our "*all of the above*" approach to energy development, I did a cursory review of this topic. There is a lot of information regarding this new movement. Here is a good link with background information
<https://www.energy.gov/eere/geothermal/electricity-generation>

Geothermal balances both reliability with a reduced carbon footprint in a potentially major new approach. Because of North Dakota's over fifteen-year history with fracking and our stable, well-documented geological structures, ND may be a new frontier for geothermal energy.

There are several people who know much more about this emerging idea. I am more than willing to answer any questions. Thank you for considering this study resolution.