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Good morning, Madam Chair and committee members.

For the record I am Senator Jeff Magrum serving District 8.

I stand before you to introduce SB2319. The goal is to think outside of the box with a positive change in the way legislative sessions are handled. This change will likely save the state money, create consistency, continuity with employees and legislators, eliminate Interim committees, eliminate special sessions, empower the legislature, allow more people to serve, give the average citizen more opportunity to attend committee hearings, create a better atmosphere, give more time to create better legislation, allow more time to prepare and study upcoming committee hearings. These are just some of the many positive reasons to seriously consider a change to legislative sessions based on the National Guard Model. It's worked for the ND National Guard, I believe it can work for our state legislature.

Madam Chair and Committee members I ask for a do pass on SB2319.