



Letter of Support – SB 2223

Friday, February 7, 2025

Chairman Wobbema and members of the Senate Workforce Development Committee,

For the record, my name is K Cale Dunwoody, and I have the distinct pleasure of serving as the Vice President of Public Policy for the Fargo Moorhead West Fargo Chamber of Commerce (FMWF Chamber). On behalf of our over 1,700 members, I respectfully offer testimony in support of Senate Bill 2306.

At the FMWF Chamber, our mission is to protect and promote business, inspire individuals, cultivate communities, and influence action. Joining the dietician licensure compact offers North Dakota new opportunities to fortify our workforce and build a more robust economy. This compact brings the following benefits:

- Membership increases North Dakotan's access to vital healthcare services. This compact specifically addresses access to telehealthcare, meaning those in rural areas can receive virtual care they may have previously been excluded from based on their geographic location. This promotes a healthier and more vibrant community.
- Membership increases support for military spouses. Due to relocation and frequent moves, military spouses in licensed careers face great barriers when moving to new states. To ensure North Dakota is a military friendly state, we encourage the adoption of this compact to reduce the administrative burden and wait time of obtaining required licensing for military spouses to work and thrive in our state.

Because of the positive impact this will have on our state economy and workforce, we respectfully urge the committee to give this bill a DO PASS recommendation.

Sincerely,

Cale Dunwoody
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