

Chairman Wobbema and Members of the Senate Workforce Development Committee,

My name is Brekka Kramer, President | CEO of the <u>Minot Area Chamber EDC</u> (MACEDC) and Executive Committee Member of the North Dakota Military Commission. On behalf of MACEDC and our over 600 member investors, I offer testimony in favor of Senate Bill 2341 to adopt the interstate compact for school psychologists.

The mission of MACEDC is to advocate for and invest in business activity by being a collaborative partner in the community, focused on improving quality of life for all. MACEDC has five key strategic pillars, which include workforce development and military support. We believe that Senate Bill 2341 as proposed would have a positive impact on the workforce environment of our great state by supporting school psychologists, specifically military spouses, in their endeavor to continue work during their relocation.

Making the licensing transition easier personally benefits the school psychologist by allowing them easier access to join the workforce and provide their services, ultimately improving the health and wellbeing of North Dakota citizens.

I am a proud member of the North Dakota Military Commission, which has a vision to make North Dakota the most military friendly state in the nation. As a long-term advocate for improved licensure and career portability for military service members and their spouses, I ask for your support of Senate Bill 2341 and am available for any questions you may have.

Thank you,

Brekka Kramer Minot Area Chamber EDC President | CEO North Dakota Military Commission Executive Committee Member