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2003 SENATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

SB 2146

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146

Senate Political Subdivisions Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date: January 16, 2003

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Minutes:

CHAIRMAN COOK opened the hearing on SB 2146. All senators in attendance. SB 2146 is relating to real estate broker and real estate salesperson license and renewal fees.

Testimony in Support of SB 2146:

SENATOR LEE spoke in favor of SB 2146. (See attached Testimony)

She also passed out E- mailed copies from Kris Sheriden, Real Estate Agent. (See attached copy)

Pat Jergenson, Secretary Treasurer, ND Real Estate Commission spoke in favor of SB 2146

Roger Cymbaluk, Vice Chair of ND Real Estate Commission, spoke in favor of SB 2146

(See attached testimony) Mr.Cymbaluk also presented 3 exhibits. (See Attached)

SENATOR COOK asked what the revenues of \$1200, in other funds, was for on the fiscal

note.

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Pat Jergenson answered the \$1200 would be in calculation of what they would get for new licenses coming in if this bill goes into effect. The rest of the budget for this year would be a projected increase of a \$100 for this year.

Roger Cymbaluk stated that there would be no increase in the license fees but there would be an increase in some of the other services such as change of address. That would be the \$1200 impact.

SENATOR COOK asked, also in the fiscal note in the explanation, it stated that we project \$117,690 increase in revenue for each fiscal year. In Roger;s testimony, you got that figure from raising the individual license fee from \$50 to \$100 and the other fee from \$60 to \$125, which comes up to \$117,000 but in the fiscal note you show revenues of \$235,380. Is that if the fee went to \$200?

Pat Jergenson answered no, that would be for two years.

SENATOR COOK asked Roger; where did the reserves that you have been taking money out of for the last two years come from.

Roger Cymbaluk answered the reserves came from three different areas. One is that the real estate agent use to process all of the applications and the testing, which is about a \$10,000 bill. That is now being done electronically in a couple of locations, so that is not a revenue. The second is that we are mandated to have a \$60,000 recovery fund and that is every time a new licensee makes an application for a license, they have to put \$20.00 in for the recovery fund. Over a period of time that recovery fund had built up substantially and interest rates where alot different. The funds from the interest are no longer available and the recovery fund at one time

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was at \$100,000 and we now have about \$77,000 in the account. By law we can use \$17,000 of those funds but we need by law to keep a \$60,000 cushion.

SENATOR COOK asked if the real estate commission was subject to state audits.

Roger Cymbaluk answered that they are, but they do pay for their own audit. They bid it out to people in the private sector but that is subject to review by the state auditing department. The state auditing department does audit the individual expenses.

SENATOR POLOVITZ asked how often the fees were accessed.

Roger answered the license fee is every year. January 1 it is due.

Claus Lembke, ND Association of Realtors, introduced Ninetta Wandler, Jerry Engel and Don Dietrich to testify in support of SB 2146 on three different points.

Ninetta Wandler, President of ND Association of Realtors (see attached testimony)

Don Dietrich, Broker, Dietrich Realty and Auction Grand Forks (see attached testimony)

Jerry Engel, Broker Associate with Oaktree Realtors (See attached testimony)

Al Jaeger appeared as a licensed real estate broker and asked for a do pass on SB 2146.

Testimony in opposition to SB 2146

John Vonrueden, Vonrueden Real Estate, works individually and spoke in opposition of SB 2146 because the added fees would be a financial burden on the small realtors.

Representative Frank Wald appeared in his own behave, He has a brokers license that is inactive. He has nothing against bill except the fees increase. He requested that the inactive status fees be kept at \$60.00 a year.

Leon Mallberg of Stanton ND, appeared in opposition to SB 2146.

Harry Berg Auctioneer and Realtor, opposed SB 2146. No justification in the bill.

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Earl Allen, Realtor and Broker, opposed SB 2146.

Kathy Feist, Bianco Realty, Bismarck, opposed SB 2146. She is concerned about the new realtors coming into the business.

Greg Gerhardt, Realtor, did research on fees in other states and left copy.

No other testimony.

CHAIRMAN COOK closed the hearing on SB 2146.

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BILL/RESOLUTION NO SB 2146

Senate Political Subdivisions Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date: January 24, 2003 (Discussion)

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Minutes:

SENATOR COOK opened discussion on SB 2146. He suggested that an amendment is pursued to set these fees at where the testimony indicated they needed to go rather than give them liberty to go up to two hundred dollars.

SENATOR JUDY LEE would like to have the fee set so they have some flexibility so they don't have to come back.

SENATOR COOK will have amendments next week.

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146

Senate Political Subdivisions Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date: January 31, 2003 (Discussion and Action)

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Minutes

CHAIRMAN COOK opened the discussion on SB 2146. All in Attendance (6)

Relating to the fees for the Real Estate Commission.

CHAIRMAN COOK had a problem with setting the fees up to two hundred dollars. He would like to see it reduced to what the fee actually will be. If he is the only one that feels that way, then will pass the bill out as is. If not feels there should be discussion on the issue.

SENATOR JUDY LEE passed out information made available by Pat Jergenson, Executive

Director of the Real Estate Commission (See Attached) which shows what they are looking at as
far as expenses and budget projections. It is not an official budget but shows you what they are
looking at and that they end up with a budget of approximately \$250,000 for the next two years.

In order to meet that \$250,000 number a suggestion was made that the firm fees would have to be
at one hundred fifty dollars. This is a little different from her original testimony. Senator J Lee
pointed out to the members of the committee that SB 2128 was passed which allowed four

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hundred dollar for a money brokers application fee and three hundred dollars a year annual license fee, which is significantly more than what we are paying here. Because of that she trusts these commissioners to make fair decisions. Senator J Lee hesitates to put a lower cap on there which would makes them come back to the legislature.

SENATOR JUDY LEE moved a DO PASS on SB 2146

SENATOR SYVERSON seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote Yes 5 No 1 Absent 0

SENATOR SYVERSON will carry the bill.

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Requested by Legislative Council 01/03/2003

Bill/Resolution No.:

SB 2146

1A. State fiscal effect: Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to

funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Bienniun	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues		\$1,200		\$235,380		\$235,380
Expenditures						
Appropriations			***************************************			

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1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

2. Narrative: Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.

The Commission depends on real estate license renewal fees for the majority of its income each fiscal year. We receive no appropriations from the state budget. The proposed legislation would establish a \$200 cap on real estate license fees and remove the incidental fees from the law thereby allowing the Commission to set reasonable fees administratively. We project \$117,690.00 increase in revenue each fiscal year.

- 3. State fiscal effect detail: For information shown unour state fiscal effect in 1A, please:
 - A. Revenues: Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.
 - B. Expenditures: Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.
 - C. Appropriations: Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.

Name: Patricia M. Jergenson Agency: North Dakota Real Estate Commission
Phone Number: 328-9737 Date Prepared: 01/08/2003

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Roll Call Vote #:

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 5B 8/46

Senate Political Subdivisions

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Legislative Council Amendment Number

Action Taken

Do Pass

Motion Made By Senator Judy Lee Seconded By Senator Squerson

Senators Yes No Senators Yes No Senators Yes No Senator Dwight Cook, Chairman

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Dwight Cook, Chairman		X			
Senator John O. Syverson, V C	X				
Senator Gary A. Lee	X				
Senator Judy Lee	X				
Senator Linda Christenson	X				
Senator Michael Polovitz	X				

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If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) February 3, 2003 9:05 a.m.

Module No: SR-20-1490 Carrier: Syverson Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2146: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (5 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2146 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146

2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

House Industry, Business and Labor Committee

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Hearing Date March 4, 2003

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Minutes: Chairman Keiser opened the hearing on SB 2146.

Pat Jergenson, Secretary Treasurer of the North Dakota Real Estate Commission, introduced SB 2146 and testified in support of the legislation. (See attached #1) She then introduced Senator J. Lee, District 13, who testified in support of SB 2146. (See attached #2). Chairman Keiser: The previous bill, SB 2145, if we can transfer \$24,000 back to the violators, assuming that you have 1000 members paying into the fund, that would be a reduction of \$24 of the fee. If we left the fees alone, we're picking up \$ 23,000-\$24,000 in the budget. How does that affect the budget projections? Does it solve the problem, in and of itself?

Senator Lee: Perhaps the Executive Eirector could answer those specific questions. My response is this: we asked for a projected budget from the director when we were looking at this on the senate side, there was an adjustment in the fee for firms that was made. There just wasn't any way to get the money up there. Their fiscal year is not a calendar year, they won't do their budget until this spring with this going into effect in the summer. They need to see what comes

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out of the legislature session in order to go forward. The \$100 gives them some latitude. In order to be responsible and not have to ask them to come back for a \$5 increase, we thought this was appropriate.

Rep. Kasper: Where the \$10 annual fee is being struck, it appears that we are setting an opportunity for the fees to be set by the commissioner at whatever level they desire. What is the intent there?

Senator Lee: I can't answer that properly.

Roger Cymbaluk, Vice-Chair, North Dakota Real Estate Commission testified in support of SB 2146. (See attached #3 with 4 additional exhibits)

Rep. Kasper: The Errors and Omissions Bill of 2001, has that met your expectations? Is there any revenue stream coming from that?

Cymbaluk: It met our expectations in the sense that a lot of the people we talked about in SB 2145 who have licenses that came before the Commission, we felt there was nothing that was illegal. We encouraged them to seek relief through the E & O Program. A lot of agents did nothing legally wrong, we can't charge them for stupidity. Some times there are errors and mistakes. Say if it's an encroachment on property survey lines. Lots of times an agent doesn't have the personal resources to deal with the ramifications of those issues. That is where it's been really effective. The frustration with it is that there is a \$125 cap.

Rep. Klein: Do you hire auditors or CPA's to perform your annual audit?

Cymbaluk: We bid that out and it has to meet state guidelines.

Rep. Johnson: Here on Exhibit 4, what is the debt retirement exactly?

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Cymbaluk: We have built up some legal fees and we have to pay off sick leave and vacation pay for our longtime Secretary-Treasurer who retired last year.

Chairman Keiser: What is the current reserve in the fund?

Cymbaluk: We are mandated by law to hold \$60,000 in a recovery fund. That is set up to handle a critical situation if a realtor should do something really bad and the E & O wouldn't cover it.

The public can collect up to \$20,000 per occurrence. We haven't had occasion to use that but every agent who applies for his license the first time pays a one time fee of \$20 which is deposited in the recovery fund.

The final thing I want to discuss with you is the ARELLO Group handout (See attached #4) that is being passed around to you right now. It breaks out income streams for all states. The second pages outlines fees and so forth.

Chairman Keiser: On your Exhibit 2, for 2002-2003, your budget is \$127,310. With the proposed new fee schedule it goes to \$245,000, that reflects a \$118,000 increase. Looking at Exhibit 4 on the expense side we're adding \$38,500 in the biennium for travel to the ARELLO Conference.

Cymbaluk: That has always been part of the budget up to this year.

Chairman Keiser: But on the last page you are continuing to carry forward legal fees and investment costs at \$20,000. Are those the fees you were previously paying in that \$23,000-\$25,000 per year? Won't we recover those in SB 2145?

Cymbaluk: That's right about the \$23,000-\$25,000. But no, we won't recover, we only recover if somebody is found guilty. We will rarely see a \$2500 fine levied by the current Commission.

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More important is that ability to recover costs if we're run around the flagpole. In Exhibit 2, we've taken \$15,500 from those extra funds, we haven't touched the \$60,000 Recovery Fund, but we've milked the other down from \$100,000 to \$60,000. We should have been here two or even four years ago.

Claus Lembke, NDAR, introduced Ninetta Wandler, President of NDAR, Larry

Sundbakken, Minot, and Randy Schwartz, Fargo, to present testimony in support of SB 2146.

(See attachments # 5, #6, and #7, respectively)

Rep. Kasper: Do local realty boards duplicate the functions of the NDAR? How are complaints handled?

Schwartz: Nothing relating to licensure is handled by local realtors. A local board has providence over its membership but not all licensees are in fact realtors. Complaints can be submitted locally or to the State Board, it's up to the complainant.

Al Jaeger, spoke on his own behalf, and testified in support of SB 2146. "I've trusted this commission for 30 years, they won't run amok if given what they are asking for in this legislation. They have to be reimbursed for their expenses. The commission is appointed by the Governor, there are checks and balances in the system in terms of the realtor organization. I want to go on record as being in support of both SB 2145 & SB 2146."

Rep. Severson: How many continuing education hours are required?

Jaeger: I think it's 24 every 2 years.

Lembke: For the record it's 16 hours every two years.

Rep. Froseth: Rep. Kasper's question on page 1, section IV, lines 19, 20, 21 wasn't clarified.

Can someone respond to that?

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Jaeger: I just looked at the bill, I think that is enabling legislation, it's not out of the ordinary, the other sections have the limits in them.

As there was no one else present to testify either in support of or in opposition to SB 2146,

Chairman Keiser closed the hearing.

Chairman Keiser called for committee work on SB 2146.

Rep. Thorpe moved a Do Pass.

Rep. Nottestad seconded the motion.

Rep. Froseth: If this passes, Rep. Kasper had better be able to defend the fee increase when this hits the floor. Fee increases haven't been received very kindly on the floor this session.

Rep. Klein: Won't this cap keep them from having to come back in a couple years?

Rep. Froseth: The budget that was presented was based on about half the cap. That ought to be pointed out on the floor.

Rep. Severson: I will have to oppose this because my realtors, my constituents, have gotten to me.

Results of the roll call vote were 12-1-1.

Rep. Kasper will carry this on the floor.

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146

House Industry, Business and Labor Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 5, 2003

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Minutes: Rep. Kasper moved to reconsider the committee's action of March 4, 2003, in which SB 2146 was passed out of committee. SB 2146 relates to the real estate brokers increasing their fees substantially.

Rep. Ruby seconded the motion. Results of the roll call vote were: 5-8-1.

The motion to reconsider failed.

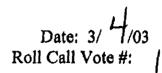
Rep. Kasper stated that the buzz on the floor is that the bill will be killed because the fee is too high. If the fee were changed to a more modest increase, it would save the bill.

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 214ϕ

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) March 4, 2003 4:57 p.m.

Module No: HR-38-3918 Carrier: Kasper Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

\$B 2146: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Kelser, Chairman) recommends

DO PASS (12 YEAS, 1 NAY, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2146 was placed on
the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2146

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(For Sen. J. Lee)

Scratch Pad for Bill: SB 2146

SB 2146 Political Subdivisions Committee January 16, 2003 Saws lesperte

SB 2146 will permit the Real Estate Commission to increase license and renewal fees.

The figures which are proposed are maximum fees. It is unlikely that the fees would increase to that new level in the near future. But the current fees of \$60 for a broker, \$60 for a firm, and \$50 for a salesperson have been in place since 1995, and the cost of conducting the business of the Commission has dramatically increased.

I have been in the real estate business since 1975, and I can think of no other business in which the cost of going to work is as little as it is to become a licensed real estate agent. The Commissioners are absorbing personally the increased costs of doing their work by paying all of their own expenses and not taking their per diem pay. This is not fair. The dedicated people serving on our state boards and commissions deserve to have their expenses paid and to receive their per diem pay.

In fact, I would be even more favorable to the idea of not setting any amounts in statute, but leaving the amount of the license fees to the Board itself. We just passed a bill out of the Human Services Committee which makes that change for a board which regulates one of the health professions, and I think it's a good idea. The people serving on our ND boards and commissions are responsible people and deserve our trust that they will perform their duties in a professional manner.

Whether you accept the increased amounts already in SB 2146 or remove the amounts entirely, I urge the committee to support the idea of allowing the Real Estate Commission to establish license fees which will provide the funding they need to continue their work on behalf of ND citizens.

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"Kris Sheridan" < Kris@parkcompany.c om> To: <jlee@state.nd.us>

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Subject: real estate commission bills

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Good Morning.

organization.

Here are my thoughts on these bills:

The reality is that we cannot continue to operate the Real Estate Commission without an increase in fees and the ability to recover our investigation costs.

The North Dakota real estate consumer has the right to expect that licensed real estate agents are governed by a fair, impartial and knowledgeable group of people. With the changing demographics, the rising costs of technology as well as the expensive process of properly investigating claims made by consumers, it is not economically feasible for the Commission to do its job.

Since I have the opportunity to interact with both Mn and ND licensing agencies, I see first hand what an advantage we have in our state. The Minnesota Department of Commerce is comprised of state bureaucrats and attorneys who direct the course of the industry.

In ND we are so fortunate to have a Commission made up of people involved in the real estate business on a daily basis. I like the fact that fellow real estate professionals are governing my business and I think that the consumer is better served because of it.

Without the ability to run the Commission in a fiscally responsible way, we cannot continue to do what I believe the public and the real estate licensees want us to do.

It just costs more today to be in any business or to run any

This past year we have had to make some pretty dramatic changes in order to pay our bills. No longer can we send someone to the Arello conferences. This is a huge disadvantage because, as you know, interacting with other Commissioners from around the country is how we stay on top of the many changes in the industry. Also, when we receive a complaint from a consumer, we have to really take a long, hard look at it before the investigation process starts as we have no extra money to spend on iffy cases. I don't believe that is a proper way to run a licensing commission. The Commissioners are paying their own expenses this year (and last year) for all the meetings in order to keep the costs down. We are unable to move ahead with technology because of our budget problems. The Commission needs a website with important information for the public and the licensees and we are unable to do it. We do not have the income to hire a trust accout auditor even on a limited basis. I think we have a responsiblity to audit trust accounts on a periodic basis and that is not happening. The real estate business has changed dramatically in the past 5 years. It's become much more complicated both for licensees and the consumer and the ND Real Estate Commission must be able to do its job of

With the current fee structure, we are unable to be effective in our mission and the future looks pretty bleak without an increase in income.

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Senate Bill 2146

Testimony before the Political Subdivisions Committee January 16, 2003

By: Pat Jergenson, Secretary Treasurer
North Dakota Real Estate Commission

Mr. Chairman and members of the Political Subdivision Committee; on behalf of the Real Estate Commission I want to thank Senator Lee and the other cosponsors for assisting us with the introduction and sponsorship of Senate Bill 2146.

My name is Pat Jergenson.

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Senate Bill 2146 has been introduced at the request of the North Dakota Real Estate Commission. The purpose of this bill is to request a cap of \$200 for all real estate license fees and to remove the incidental fees (such as license transfer, duplicate license, and change of name) from the law thereby allowing the Commission to set reasonable fees administratively. It is important to note that the Commission depends on license renewal fees for the majority of its income each fiscal year and that we receive no appropriations from the state budget.

And now I would like to introduce Commissioner Roger Cymbaluk, Vice Chair of the Real Estate Commission, who is here to present our testimony

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With the passage of this bill we anticipate an increase of the salesperson license fee from \$50.00 to \$100.00 per year and the firm and broker license fees to increase from \$60.00 to \$125.00 per year. The projected results of these increases are demonstrated in Exhibit 2. We do anticipate a decrease in the number of inactive licensees. (Exhibit 3) Using these figures our revenues would increase by \$117,690.00. This represents a large increase in our income but it is important to point out the following:

1. We do not have an auditor on staff. The auditor's position is important as it not only oversees trust accounts, they assure they are being properly managed and an auditor would provide the Commission with information regarding areas that require more education or clarification regarding license law thereby providing a service to the public and licensee.

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Salary, training and travel expenses would be approximately \$40,000.00 per year.

- 2. We are examining ways to contain costs and improve efficiency but we are unable to move ahead with technology and staff training due to the lack of funds.

 Most of the daily operations of the office have been done manually. A licensee database, forms available on the computer, and a web site are a few of the items that would provide a faster, cost efficient manner to serve the public and the licensee.
- 3. We have reduced the current fiscal year budget by \$24,000.00 resulting in reductions in all areas of operation of this agency.

Though it was apparent that there was a need for a license fee increase, we did not come before you with this legislation in 2001 because our focus was on the passage of legislation requiring all licensees to have errors and omissions insurance for consumer protection.

The Commission has always been conservative in it's spending and we intend to continue in that manner. Passing this legislation with the \$200 license fee cap would allow the Commission to continue to do what it was established to do; ensure that the interests of the public who use the services of real estate licensees are adequately protected, investigate

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complaints alleging misconduct, issue real estate licenses to brokers and salespeople, and determine what is appropriate education in real estate without having to come before you every few years for incremental fee increases. Current law requires that we would come before you to increase a \$10.00 transfer fee to \$12.50. We believe that your time is valuable and can be used in a more worthwhile manner.

Based on the information you have received today you can see that the Commission has demonstrated its ability to exercise sound fiscal management and its desire to keep license fees and the other fees at a reasonable amount. Just to recap: we cut our current budget by \$24,000.00 (19% compared to the Governor's call for a reduction of 5%) which resulted in the Commissioners paying all of their own expenses and not taking their per diem for Commission meetings. And there is no out of state travel, half of our meetings are held by conference call, printing and office supply expenses have been reduced, as well as accounting fees, legal fees and investigation costs. These budget cuts have had an impact on the services we can provide to both the public and the licensees.

We ask that your Committee give favorable consideration to Senate Bill 2146.

Thank you.

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Exhibit 1

NORTH DAKOTA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2003 Expense Budget

Account	2001-02 Budget	Projected Yr En	d 2002-03 Propos	ed 2002-03 Actua
Payroll	73,396.00	76,511.00	66,676.00	66,676.00
Staff Travel &	1,900.00	900.00	4,032.50	1,500.00
Expenses				
Retirement &	17,200.00	16,850.00	15,984.00	15,984.00
Health Insurance				
FICA, Workers'	7,000.00	6,233.00	5,300.00	5,300.00
Comp, Job	1			
Service				
Commissioners'	11,000.00	11,000.00	10,992.50	2,500.00
Salary/Expenses				
Printing Costs	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,800.00	3,000.00
Office Supplies			900.00	900.00
Postage	2,500.00	2,200.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Professional Fees	3,990.00	3,790.00	3,410.00	1,910.00
Rent	4,680.00	4,680.00	4,680.00	4,680.00
Telephone	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
Office	900.00	800.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Equip/Main	j			
Legal Fees &	13,000.00	26,000.00	26,000.00	16,788.00
Investigation				
Costs				
Property &			1,422.00	1,272.00
Liability			1	
Insurance				
Miscellaneous	2,810.00	2,200.00	3,200.00	2,000.00
TOTAL	144,176.00	156,954.00	152,197.00	127,310.00
IUIAL	144,170,00	130,334,00	132,197.00	127,510,00

Column 3 is the proposed expense amount to maintain our agency at its current level of efficiency while column 4 is our actual budgeted amount and demonstrates the efforts that have been taken to deal with our current financial situation and the need for increased revenue from license fees.

This expense budget does not show the salary and training & travel expenses which would be required if we had an auditor in place or any funding set aside for software and equipment upgrades.

Budget approved June 28, 2002

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Exhibit 2

NORTH DAKOTA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION Income Proposal for Legislature

Account	2001-02 Budget	Projected Yr End	2002-03 Approved	As Proposed
New license fees				
Firm		1,060.00	1,020.00	2,125.00
Broker		1,980.00	2,100.00	4,375.00
Salesperson		8,100.00	6,750.00	13,500.00
Lic. Renewals				
Firm		10,440.00	10,440.00	21,750.00
Broker		38,170.00	39,000.00	72,875.00
Salesperson		57,400.00	57,250.00	96,900.00
Inactive Licenses				
Broker **				5,625.00
Salesperson **				17,100.00
				234,250.00
	1			(Subtotal)
Late penalty		670.00	650.00	650.00
Change of add.		1,150.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Charige of name			200.00	200.00
Subdivisions				
New		400.00	400.00	400.00
Renewal		1,400.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Branch offc fee		180.00	150.00	150.00
Dup. License fee		180.00	150.00	150.00
Cert of licensure		800.00	950.00	950.00
CE approval fee		1,800.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
License Fees total	124,000.00	123,060.00	123,110.00	240,800.00
Misc. sales	1,500.00	725.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Interest earned	2,000.00	700.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fines	1,250.00	3,150.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total w/out	\$ 10 mm m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m			
transfer from	128,750.00	127,635.00		
Recovery Fund				
Rec. Fund transfer	15,500.00	15,500.00		
TOTAL	144,250.00	143,135.00	127,310.00	245,000.00

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Exhibit 3

North Dakota Real Estate Commission Income Proposal before the Legislature

License fees New license fees	\$ 2,125.00		
Firm 17 x \$125	\$ 4,375.00		
Broker 35 x \$125	\$13,500.00		
Salesperson 135 x \$100	\$13,300.00		
License Renewal fees	\$21,750.00		
Firm 174 x \$125	\$72,875.00		
Broker 583 x \$125			
Salesperson 969 x \$100	\$96,900.00		
Inactive Licenses	ቀ ድረጋድ በበ		
Broker 45 x \$125 **	\$ 5,625.00		
Salesperson 171 x \$100 **	\$17,100.00		
Late penalty	# CEO OO		
\$10 per month thru Feb.	\$ 650.00		
Change of address (\$10)	\$ 1,100.00		
Change of business name (\$10)	\$ 200.00		
Out of State - Subdivisions	+ 400.00		
New \$100 fee	\$ 400.00		
Renewals \$100 fee	\$ 1,200.00		
Branch Office fees (\$10)	\$ 150.00		
Duplicate license fee (\$10)	\$ 150.00		
Certificate of licensure (\$10)	\$ 950.00		
CE Course approval fee (\$50)	\$ 1,750.00	• •	40 000 00
OB Comes III		\$ 2	40,800.00
Miscellaneous sales		æ	1 200 00
Includes sale of labels, books, rosters		\$	1,200.00
Morados care		•	1 000 00
Interest earned		\$	1,000.00
Interest current		æ	2 000 00
Fin <u>es</u>		\$	2,000.00
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North Dakota Real Estate Commission **Expense Budget Projections**

	2003/04		2004/05	
<u>Payroll</u>				
Secretary Treasurer				
Administrative Assistant				
Auditor				
	\$	100,000.00	\$	106,000.00
Staff Travel & Expenses				
ARELLO Central/Western District Conf. \$850.00 & \$850.00				
NDAR State Convention \$700.00 & \$400.00				
ARELLO Annual Conf.				
\$1,700.00 & \$1,700.00				
Misc travel \$ 150.00 & \$ 150.00				
Auditor travel/training				
\$10,000.00 & \$10,000.00				
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Staff Education/Training	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00
Retirement & Health Insurance				
Blue Cross Blue Shield \$520.00/employee (3)				
\$18,720.00 & \$18,720.00				
Retirement: (9.25% of gross salary)				
\$9,560.00 & 10,221.00			ي	
	\$	28,280.00	\$	28,941.00
FICA, Workers' Comp. Job Service				
FICA 7.65% x gross salary				
\$7,650.00 & \$8,109.00				
Workers' Comp				
\$200.00 & \$200.00	\$	7,850.00	\$	8,309.00
Commissioners' Salary & Expanses	Φ	7,650.00	D	0,509.00
Commissioners' Salary & Expenses 9 Commission meetings				
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ARELLO Central/Western District Conf.				
\$4250.00 & \$4250.00 (5 attending)				
ARELLO Annual Conf. (3 attending)				
\$5100.00 & \$5100.00				
ARELLO Board of Directors meeting (3 attending)				
\$4500.00 & \$4500.00				
*	\$	19,250.00	\$	19,250.00
Printing Costs	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00
Office supplies	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00
Postage	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000.00

Professional Fees

ARELLO annual dues \$500.00
Accountant \$2000.00 & \$3000.00

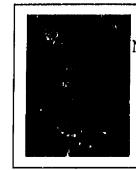
	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00
Rent		
\$390.00 per month (lease runs through 9/30/03)	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,200.00
Telephone	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Office Equipment & Maintenance	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
<u>Technology</u> (develop web site & maintenance)	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Legal fees and Investigation Costs	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Property and Liability Insurance	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00
Reserve funds	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Debt retirement	\$ 13,300.00	\$ 5,000.00
TOTAL	\$248,830.00	\$246,850.00

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Testimony before the Senate Political Subdivision Committee By: Ninetta Wandler, President North Dakota Association of Realtors

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Senate Political Subdivision Committee.

My name is Ninetta Wandler with Everett Real Estate Company in Dickinson and I am the current President of the North Dakota Association of REALTORS®.

Our NDAR (North Dakota Association of REALTORS®) has an excellent working relationship with the ND Real Estate Commission and its staff since its inception in 1957. As a matter of fact the NDAR was instrumental in seeking legislation in 1957 that created the Commission. As you can see from their testimony, they have a very conservative record when it comes to spending and we are very confident that this will continue in the future. Administratively, they have the same number of employees today as they had 46 years ago. I don't think you will find that in many other Boards or Commissions.

It is for this reason that our Board of Directors last September voted to support this legislation.

On behalf of our North Dakota Association I am asking for your support of SB 2146.

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Testimony before the Senate Political Subdivision Committee.

January 16, 2003

By: Don Dietrich, Broker, Dietrich Realty and Auction Grand Forks

Mr. Chairman and members of the Senate Political Subdivision committee.

My name is Lon Dietrich and I own and manage Dietrich Realty and Auction Company in Grand Forks. I am a past President of the Grand Forks Board of REALTORS® and chairman of our Political Affairs committee and also a member of our State Association's Political Affairs committee.

My point here today is the absence of an auditor at the Real Estate commission. The Commission's inability to hire an Auditor is of concern to us. In the past the commission utilized auditing as a form of education. Whenever the auditor found any deficiencies he would send a notice to the broker requesting them to correct the deficiencies. One could always tell when and where such an auditor was working by a sudden increase in requests for forms or disclosure notices that we have developed at our State Association. Auditing is good insurance for the Public as well. It seems invariable that when we hold arbitration or ethics hearing that we will find some deficiencies in some files or activities of our members. Regular audits would detect this and therefore reduce mistakes or deficiencies

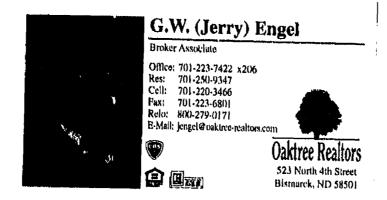
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January 16, 2003

By: Jerry Engel, Broker Associate with Oaktree REALTORS

Mr. Chairman and members of the Senate Political Subdivisions Committee. My name is Jerry Engel and I am a Broker with Oaktree REALTORS here in Bismarck. I am a past President and currently a member of the Political Affairs Committee of the North Dakota Association of REALTORS.

The officers of our state association and our Political Affairs Committee discussed this bill proposal thoroughly during the past few months. Some members raised the concern that the fees would increase significantly. We do not share that concern. The conservative history of the Real Estate Commission over the past 46 years has proven that to us. The Board has always conducted its business in a very responsible and frugal manner. For this reason we support this legislation and ask for your favorable consideration.

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Legal costs consume approximately 19% of our expense budget. (\$24,789.00 in 2001 and \$23,742.00 in 2002 alone) We do not foresee the number of complaints decreasing, nor will the cost of processing these complaints. It is very difficult to budget an item such as this and it has had a definite impact on our budget. We are addressing the recovery of some those costs in Senate Bill 2145.

With the passage of this bill we anticipate an increase of the salesperson license fee from \$50.00 to \$100.00 per year and the firm and broker license fees to increase from \$60.00 to \$125.00 per year. The projected results of these increases are demonstrated in Exhibit 2. We do anticipate a decrease in the number of inactive licensees. (Exhibit 3) Using these figures our revenues would increase by \$117,690.00. Exhibit 4 is an example of a projected expense budget showing how we envision the revenues would be spent. It is important to point out the following:

1. We do not have an auditor on staff. The auditor's position is important as it not only oversees trust accounts, they assure they are being properly managed and an auditor would provide the Commission with information regarding areas that require more education or

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clarification regarding license law thereby providing a service to the public and licensee.

Salary, training and travel expenses would be approximately \$40,000.00 per year.

- 2. We are examining ways to contain costs and improve efficiency but we are unable to move ahead with technology and staff training due to the lack of funds.

 Most of the daily operations of the office have been done manually. A licensee database, forms available on the computer, and a web site are a few of the items that would provide a faster, cost efficient manner to serve the public and the licensee.
- 3. We have reduced the current fiscal year budget by \$24,000.00 resulting in reductions in all areas of operation of this agency.

Though it was apparent that there was a need for a license fee increase, we did not come before you with this legislation in 2001 because our focus was on the passage of legislation requiring all licensees to have errors and omissions insurance for consumer protection.

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The Commission has always been conservative in it's spending and we intend to continue in that manner. Passing this legislation with the \$200 license fee cap would allow the Commission to continue to do what it was established to do; ensure that the interests of the public who use the services of real estate licensees are adequately protected, investigate complaints alleging misconduct, issue real estate licenses to brokers and salespeople, and determine what is appropriate education in real estate without having to come before you every few years for incremental fee increases. Current law requires that we would come before you to increase a \$10.00 transfer fee to \$12.50. We believe that your time is valuable and can be used in a more worthwhile manner.

Based on the information you have received today you can see that the Commission has demonstrated its ability to exercise sound fiscal management and its desire to keep license fees and the other fees at a reasonable amount. Just to recap: we cut our current budget by \$24,000.00 (19% compared to the Governor's call for a reduction of 5%) which resulted in the Commissioners paying all of their own expenses and not taking their per diem for Commission meetings. And there is no out of state travel, half of our meetings are held by conference call, printing and office supply expenses have been reduced, as well as accounting fees, legal fees and investigation costs. These budget cuts have had an impact on the services we can provide to both the public and the licensees.

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We ask that your Committee give favorable consideration to Senate Bill 2146.

Thank you.

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NORTH DAKOTA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION **Expense Budget Projections**

Account	2002-2003 Actual	2003-04	2004-05	
Payroll	66,676.00	100,000.00	106,000.00	
Staff Travel/Exp.	1,500.00	13,400.00	13,400.00	
Staff	-0-	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Educ/Training				
Retirement &	15,984.00	28,280.00	28,941.00	
Health Insurance				
FICA, Workers'	5,300.00	7,850.00	8,309.00	
Comp, Job Service				
Commissioners'	2,500.00	19,250.00	19,250.00	
Salary/Expenses				
Printing Costs	3,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Office Supplies	900.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Postage	2,500,00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Professional Fees	1,910.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	
Rent	4,680.00	5,000.00	7,200.00	
Telephone	1,300.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Office Equip/Main	1,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Technology		16,000.00	2,000.00	
Legal Fees &	16,788.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	
Investigation Costs				
Property &	1,272.00	1,750.00	1,750.00	
Liability Insurance			,	
Miscellaneous	2,000.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	
Reserve funds	-0-	5,000.00	15,000.00	
Debt retirement	-0-	13,300.00	5,000.00	
TOTAL	127,310.00	248,830.00	246,850.00	

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North Dakota Real Estate Commission Income Projection

License fees		
New license fees		
Firm 17 x \$150	\$ 2,550.00	
Broker 35 x \$125	\$ 4,375.00	
Salesperson 135 x \$100	\$13,500.00	
License Renewal fees	,,	
Firm 174 x \$150	\$26,100.00	
Broker 583 x \$125	\$72,875.00	
Salesperson 969 x \$100	\$96,900.00	
Inactive Licenses	,	
Broker 45 x \$125 **	\$ 5,625.00	
Salesperson 171 x \$100 **	\$17,100.00	
Late penalty	•	
\$10 per month thru Feb.	\$ 650.00	
Change of address (\$10)	\$ 1,100.00	
Change of business name (\$10)	\$ 200.00	
Out of State - Subdivisions		
New \$100 fee	\$ 400.00	
Renewals \$100 fee	\$ 1,200.00	
Branch Office fees (\$10)	\$ 150.00	
Duplicate license fee (\$10)	\$ 150.00	
Certificate of licensure (\$10)	\$ 950.00	
CE Course approval fee (\$50)	\$ 1,750.00	•
		\$ 245,575.00
Miscellaneous sales		
Includes sale of labels, books, rosters		\$ 1,200.00
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Interest earned		\$ 1,000.00
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Fines		\$ 2,000.00
TOTAL		\$ 249,775.00
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^{**} inactive license figures were reduced by ½ for this calculation

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^{*} Oklahoms: 4,500 - Incuded in previous response. Western Australia: Education & home buyers grants, and fidelity guarantee payments.

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VIRGINIA	85	85	75	75	125	42	39	39	65	2	2	35	35		0	0	1	0	0
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*Azisona: Bach license affected. Commecticus: Prorated quartedy ranging from \$450 clown to \$112.50. Delaware: For 2 years. Florida: \$50 - \$95 depending on time in the renewal period. Grass year original, 4 year strewal. Hawaii: (Odd/Even Year). Idaho: For all entities, \$50 for Branch Office holding original transaction records and licenses. 40- for unlicensed branch offices such as shopping center hosts; and home offices not holding original transactions and licenses. Kantas: Prorated to renewal date. Kentucky: Per license. Maryland: Active/Inactive Associate Broker \$8 Nevida: Per license. Nova Scotia: Brokerage \$100. Oddshoma: /Active Sakes -75 Provisional Sales 1-Year License (effective 8/1/01). Oregon: Per license. Quebec: 415,15 plus 1/12 of 691, per month remaining in the year. South Carolina: Per Person Max out at \$250. Teassessee: per licensee plus new completed firm application form.

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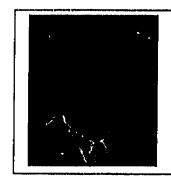
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Senate Bill 2146

Testimony before the House Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

March 4, 2003

By: Larry Sundbakken, Signal Realty, Minot, ND

Mr. Chairman and members of the House IBL Committee.

My name is Larry Sundbakken. I have been a REALTOR® for slightly over 30 years and am currently a broker with Signal Realty in Minot. I also hold a broker's license in South Dakota and Montana. For my entire career, I have had the highest respect for the North Dakota Real Estate Commission. The Real Estate Commission has earned the respect I have for them because they have had the ability to protect the public from unfair, illegal, and unethical practices done by any individual that holds a real estate license in the State of North Dakota.

It has come to my attention lately that because of a lack of funds, the Real Estate Commission has been unable to hire an auditor. This is a major concern for all respectable REALTORS®. Regular audits can detect any deficiencies and immediately request them to be corrected; therefore, keeping any damage that may be done to a minimum. The public is more protected, and the REALTORS® are more professional.

If the Real Estate Commission was given the authority to raise the fees to hold a license in our state and could charge appropriate fines when a violation is committed, I believe they could afford to hire an auditor and also perform other functions that they currently cannot. This could only make the Real Estate industry more efficient and protect the public as well.

I'm asking you to please support Senate Bill 2146. You are probably asking yourself, why would I ask for your support for a bill that will raise my fees? I do so because I believe in the respectability of my industry and I want to keep it that way.

Thank you!

Allamon .

Larry Sundbakken

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By: Randy Schwartz, Town & Country Realty, Fargo

Mr. Chairman and members of the House IBL Committee.

Mr. Chairman and members of the House Industry, Business and Labor committee. My name is Randy Schwartz and I am the owner of Town & Country Realty in Fargo and the President of the Fargo-Moorhead Area Association of Realtors. I would like to thank the committee for this opportunity to present testimony on SB 2146.

The merits of this bill have been discussed at length both at our local and state levels. We have reached the consensus the increases in revenue provided in this bill are paramount to the survival of the Real Estate Commission. The commission is charged with a vital role in the protection of the public interest. In order for them to carry out that responsibility they must be provided with an adequate source of revenue. The cap on license fees has not been addressed by the legislature since 1995. It is our hope the caps proposed by this bill will allow a like term before this issue is addressed again.

We are aware some are concerned the passage of this legislation would cause the Real Estate Commission to increase license fees exorbitantly. Our industry does not share that concern. Our Real Estate Commission has a 46-year history of conducting its business in a very responsible, conservative and frugal manner. For this reason our industry supports this legislation and we ask for your favorable consideration.

This concludes my testimony and I am ready to answer any questions you might have.

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