

Engrossed HB1314 Senate Industry, Business and Labor Committee March 8, 2021 Darin King, Vice Chancellor of IT, NDUS 701.777.4237 | darin.r.king@ndus.edu

Chairman Klein and members of the committee:

For the record, my name is Darin King and I am the Vice Chancellor of IT and CIO for the North Dakota University System. Thank you for allowing me a few minutes to speak in support of engrossed HB 1314.

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education implemented <u>Policy 1202.2 – Incident</u> <u>Response</u> in April of 2018 with the purpose of directing NDUS institutions to develop incident response plans that ensure "prompt and consistent reporting of and response to IT security incidents".

In many ways, engrossed HB 1314 will do for the state what Policy 1202.2 has done for the North Dakota University System. The identification, reporting, and collaborative response to cyber security incidents across state government will dramatically strengthen our collective ability to protect the people, data, and assets of North Dakota.

I respectfully ask for a "Do Pass" of engrossed HB 1314.

Thank You.