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Testimony in Support of
Bill No. 1316
Senate Industry, Business & Labor Committee
Chairman Senator Jerry Klein
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Testimony of Keith Zalaznik, Deloitte Consulting

Chairman Klein, and members of the committee, my name is Keith Zalaznik and I am with Deloitte Consulting LLP. I am here to speak in favor of HB 1316.

The current statute works as a disincentive for many vendors because of its unlimited liability. Although Deloitte is currently working on an IT project for the State of North Dakota, Department of Human Services, we are prohibited by firm leadership from bidding on any new work in North Dakota because of the current statute.

I have had several vendors/partners contact me about opportunities in the State, who lose interest in pursuing the North Dakota proposal, once they understand the current statute.

We believe HB 1316 will bring more bidders and competition to the State's IT projects.

Mr. Chairman, I would be happy to take any questions you or the committee may have.

Thank You,

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