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Chair Larson and Committee Members:

My name is Kaylyn Bondy. I have the pleasure of serving as Bismarck State College's Vice President for Student Affairs; I work directly with BSC Campus Police. I am submitting written testimony in support of SB2167.

In 2017, North Dakota legislators enacted Senate Bill 2193, which amended North Dakota Century Code 15-10-17 to allow campus law enforcement officers to work together with local municipal and county law enforcement agencies. Further, the language regarding court jurisdiction allows campus police departments to respond to quality of life crimes that occur within a campus community. The ability to cite into municipal court allows campuses to address crimes that are not state law violations. Such quality of life issues impact the larger community, as well as the campus community.

Three North Dakota University System institutions are currently listed in North Dakota Century Code. This bill would improve BSC campus police officer's ability to serve and protect our students – while also being able to provide additional service and support to our local communities.

I respectfully request a do pass on 2167 and will be available to answer your questions.

Thank you.