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**Testimony of Landis Larson, ND AFL-CIO President
In Support of SB 2301
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Chairperson Kreun and members of the Committee:

My name is Landis Larson, President of the North Dakota AFL-CIO. The North Dakota AFL-CIO is the federation of labor unions in North Dakota, representing the interests of all working people in our state.

I am testifying on behalf of the North Dakota AFL-CIO in support of Senate Bill 2301.

We know that when workers are able to put their skills and talents to work closer to home, it's good for everyone: families, communities, local businesses and more. It's common sense. Senate Bill 2301 simply adds a little more accountability through reasonable reporting of the number of local vs out-of-state workers on very limited and specific projects. This data will give decision-makers another important tool to ensure the most effective use of our limited resources and continue a discussion about the importance of keeping our talented workforce close to home. I think we can all agree that is a good thing.

I recommend a "Do Pass" recommendation on Senate Bill 2301.

Respectfully Submitted,
Landis Larson
North Dakota AFL-CIO President