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Good morning, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee.

I am introducing HB1422 on behalf of a constituent, Frank Senn. He is the police chief in Beulah, ND, and has been in law enforcement for thirty years. When he approached me about this idea, he actually had run into this exact circumstance five times in the previous week. This is clearly a problem.

Essentially, passage of this bill will penalize anyone caught with driving under a suspended license with a fee of \$150. It also allows a court to grant a motion to amend the charge if the suspended license is reinstated after 60 days.

Chief Senn is here today. I am going to let him explain the bill and how this issue impacts his job. But I'll stand for any questions you may have for me. Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee.