

**2023 HOUSE EDUCATION**

**HB 1032**

# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Education Committee**  
Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

HB 1032  
1/11/2023

Relating to high-demand certificates scholarships and to provide an appropriation

3:12 PM

Chairman Heinert opened the hearing. Members present: Chairman Heinert, Vice Chairman Schreiber-Beck, Representatives Conmy, Dyk, Hager, Hauck, Heilman, Hoverson, Jonas, Longmuir, Marschall, Murphy, Novak, and Timmons.

**Discussion Topics:**

- CDL licenses
- Time investment
- Financial expense

Lisa Johnson, NDSU, Testimony #12918

Nikki Sackman, HR Director of ND Department of Transportation, Testimony #12880

Andrea Pfennig, ND Motor Carriers Association, Testimony #12920

Rep Mark Sanford, Dist 17, oral testimony

Chairman Heinert closed the hearing at 3:22 PM.

*Kathleen Davis, Committee Clerk*

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2:37 PM

**Chairman Heinert** opened the hearing. Members present: Chairman Heinert, Vice Chairman Schreiber-Beck, Representatives Conmy, Dyk, Hager, Hauck, Heilman, Hoverson, Jonas, Longmuir, Marschall, Murphy, Novak, and Timmons.

**Discussion Topics:**

- CDL scholarship amendment
- Committee action

**Representative Murphy**, moves to amend HB 1032 on page 1 line 17 subsection 3 , eligible applicants may be awarded up to \$500 to assist student with completing a qualifying CNA education program and up to \$1500 with the costs of completing a qualifying CDL educational program.

**Representative Longmuir:** Seconded

**Voice Vote Taken:** Undetermined

**Roll Call Vote** on amendment:

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Pat D. Heinert	Y
Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck	Y
Representative Liz Conmy	Y
Representative Scott Dyk	N
Representative LaurieBeth Hager	N
Representative Dori Hauck	Y
Representative Matt Heilman	N
Representative Jeff A. Hoverson	N
Representative Jim Jonas	Y
Representative Donald W. Longmuir	Y
Representative Andrew Marschall	Y
Representative Eric James Murphy	Y
Representative Anna S. Novak	Y
Representative Kelby Timmons	N

**Motion carried** 9-5-0

**Representative Schreiber- Beck:** Moved a Do Pass as Amended with 23.0158.01001 and rerefer to Appropriations

**Representative Murphy:** Seconded.

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Pat D. Heinert	Y
Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck	Y
Representative Liz Conmy	Y
Representative Scott Dyk	N
Representative LaurieBeth Hager	Y
Representative Dori Hauck	N
Representative Matt Heilman	N
Representative Jeff A. Hoverson	N
Representative Jim Jonas	Y
Representative Donald W. Longmuir	Y
Representative Andrew Marschall	Y
Representative Eric James Murphy	Y
Representative Anna S. Novak	Y
Representative Kelby Timmons	N

**Motion Carried 9-5-0.**

**Representative Murphy:** Carrier

Chairman Heinert closed the hearing at 2:54 PM.

*Kathleen Davis, Committee Clerk by Bev Monroe*

January 17, 2023

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1032

JA 1/17/23

Page 1, line 18, replace the third "the" with "a"

Page 1, line 18, after "qualifying" insert "certified nursing assistant"

Page 1, line 19, after "program" insert "and up to one thousand five hundred dollars to assist the student with the costs of completing a qualifying commercial driver's license educational program"

Renumber accordingly

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HB 1032: Education Committee (Rep. Heinert, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** and **BE REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** (9 YEAS, 5 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1032 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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Renumber accordingly

**2023 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS**

**HB 1032**

# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Appropriations Committee**  
Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

HB 1032  
2/2/2023

Relating to high-demand certificates scholarships; and to provide an appropriation.

**9:00 AM Chairman Vigesaa-** Meeting was called to order and roll call was taken:

**Members present;** Chairman Vigesaa, Representative B. Anderson, Representative Bellew, Representative Brandenburg, Representative Hanson, Representative Kreidt, Representative Martinson, Representative Mitskog, Representative Meier, , Representative Monson, Representative Nathe, Representative J. Nelson, Representative Pyle, Representative Richter, Representative Sanford, Representative Schatz, Representative Schobinger, Representative Strinden, Representative J. Stemen and Representative Swiontek.

**Members not Present:** Representative Kempenich, Representative Mock and Representative O'Brien

**Discussion Topics:**

- Nurse Assistances
- CDL Drivers
- Scholarship Program

**Representative Heinert-** Introduces the bill.

**Committee discussion**

**Lisa Johnson- ND University System Vice Chancellor for Academic & Student Affairs-** Answers committee questions.

**Chairman Vigesaa** Closed the meeting for HB 1032 at 9:20 AM

*Risa Berube, Committee Clerk*



# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Appropriations Committee Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

HB 1032  
2/13/2023

Relating to high-demand certificates scholarships; and to provide an appropriation.

**6:56 PM Chairman Vigesaa-** Meeting was called to order and roll call was taken:

**Members present;** Chairman Vigesaa, Representative B. Anderson, Representative Brandenburg, Representative Hanson, Representative Martinson, Representative Mitskog, Representative Mock, Representative Monson, Representative Nathe, Representative J. Nelson, Representative O'Brien, Representative Pyle, Representative Richter, Representative Sanford, Representative Schatz, Representative Schobinger, Representative Strinden, Representative G. Stemen and Representative Swiontek.

**Members not Present-** Representative Bellew, Representative Meier, Representative Kreidt and Representative Kempenich

### Discussion Topics:

- Committee Recommendation

**Representative Nathe** – Reviews committee recommendation to add to education budget.

**Representative Nathe** Move for a Do not Pass.

**Representative Richter** Seconds the motion.

Committee discussion

Roll call vote;

Representatives	Vote
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
Representative Keith Kempenich	A
Representative Bert Anderson	Y
Representative Larry Bellew	A
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Y
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Gary Kreidt	A
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative Lisa Meier	A
Representative Alisa Mitskog	Y
Representative Corey Mock	Y
Representative David Monson	Y

Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Y
Representative Emily O'Brien	Y
Representative Brandy Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	Y
Representative Randy A. Schobinger	Y
Representative Greg Stemen	Y
Representative Michelle Strinden	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y

**Motion Carries 19-0-4 Representative Sanford will carry the bill.**

**Chairman Vigesaa** Closed the meeting for HB 1032 @ 6:57 PM

*Risa Berube, Committee Clerk*

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HB 1032, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Vigesaa, Chairman)**  
recommends **DO NOT PASS** (19 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).  
Engrossed HB 1032 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

**TESTIMONY**

**HB 1032**



**House Bill No. 1032**

**Education Committee**

Coteau Room | January 11, 2023, 1:30 p.m.

Nikki Sackman, Human Resources

Good morning, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. I'm Nikki Sackman, Human Resources Division Director for the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT). I'm here to testify in favor of HB 1032.

NDDOT supports efforts which promote and provide incentives to explore careers in transportation, particularly high-demand occupations requiring a commercial driver's license (CDL). Approximately 35% of our workforce currently requires a CDL.

This concludes my testimony. I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank You.



**HB1032**

House Education Committee

January 11, 2023

Lisa A. Johnson, Vice Chancellor of Academic & Student Affairs, NDUS  
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Chair Heinert and members of the House Education Committee, my name is Lisa Johnson, and I serve as the Vice Chancellor of Academic and Student Affairs for the North Dakota University System. I am here today on behalf of the North Dakota University System and its eleven institutions and the four TrainND quadrants across the state to provide supporting testimony related to HB1032.

TrainND, operating from the campuses of Bismarck State College, Lake Region State College, Williston State College and the North Dakota State College of Science, provided customized training to 14,468 individuals in 1,729 businesses across the four quadrants of the state in 2022.

Two TrainND’s top training programs are for individuals pursuing a commercial driver’s license or certification to be a nursing assistant.

The TrainND directors from each of the four quadrants were asked for an estimate of the length of these two programs, the number of individuals enrolled in those two programs for the last two years, and the cost associated with each program.

**TrainND – Enrolled Participants**

*7/1/2020 through 6/30/2022*

<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Training Hours</b>	<b>Average Cost</b>	<b>Total Participants</b>
Certified Nursing Assistant	75-80 hrs	\$942	556
Commercial Driver’s License	120-160 hrs	\$6,263	373

A total of 556 individuals completed CNA training and 373 individuals completed CDL training during the two-year period of 2020-2022 through TrainND. Note the length of training for CDL programs is almost twice as long to complete and the cost to participants in a CDL programs is significantly more than that of the CNA program.

With the proposed appropriation of \$1 million associated with HB1032 in mind, one suggestion from the TrainND directors was to increase the CDL scholarship from \$500 to \$1,500 per individual. As currently proposed, the \$500 scholarship covers about half of the CNA training but only about 8% of the CDL training.

This concludes my testimony related to HB1032. I respectfully request a “Do Pass” with the consideration of an amendment to increase the scholarship amount associated with the CDL programs in the amount of \$1,500. I stand for questions from Committee members.



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**HB 1032**  
**House Education Committee**  
**Chairman Pat Heinert**  
**January 11, 2023**

Chairman Heinert and members of the Committee, my name is Andrea Pfennig, and I'm here today on behalf of the the North Dakota Motor Carriers Association (NDMCA), **in support** of HB 1032.

According to the NDSU Challey Institute for Global Innovation and Growth, Transportation and Warehousing accounts for 4.7% of the state's GDP. Reliable transportation networks expand markets by allowing North Dakota businesses to sell products across the state, to other states, and internationally. North Dakota has the nation's most freight-dependent economy.

Like other industries in the state, workforce is poses a significant challenge. Our members support the creation and expansion of programs that recognize truck drivers and diesel mechanics as high demand occupations and offer financial assistance, such as scholarships and low interest loans, towards the pursuit of education in these fields. It important to note that CDL training does not qualify for traditional financial aid, so solidifying other options are important to assist in meeting this skilled workforce need.

NDMCA thanks the Committee for your consideration and urges a **do pass** recommendation.