

2025 HOUSE TRANSPORTATION

HB 1055

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Transportation Committee Room JW327E, State Capitol

HB 1055
1/10/2025

Relating to the regulation of hydraulic brake fluid.
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10:42 a.m. Chairman D. Ruby opened the hearing on HB 1055.

Members Present: Chairman D. Ruby, Vice Chairman Grueneich, Representatives Christianson, Dressler, Finley-DeVille, Frelich, Hendrix, Johnston, Kasper, Koppelman, Maki, Morton, Osowski, Schatz

Discussion Topics:

- Road Safety
- Hydraulic Break Fluid

10:43 a.m. Robin Rehborg, Deputy Director for Driver Safety, ND Department of Transportation, testified in favor #28113.

10:47 a.m. Chairman D. Ruby closed the meeting.

10:48 a.m. Representative Grueneich moved a Do Pass.

10:48 a.m. Representative Johnston seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Dan Ruby	y
Representative Jim Grueneich	y
Representative Nels Christianson	y
Representative Ty Dressler	y
Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille	y
Representative Kathy Frelich	y
Representative Jared Hendrix	y
Representative Daniel Johnston	y
Representative Jim Kasper	y
Representative Ben Koppelman	y
Representative Roger A. Maki	y
Representative Desiree Morton	y
Representative Doug Osowski	y
Representative Mike Schatz	y

10:48 a.m. Motion passed 14-0-0

10:48 a.m. Representative Maki will carry the bill.

10:50 a.m. Chairman D. Ruby closed the hearing.

Joseph Reed, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1055 ([25.8043.01000](#))

Transportation Committee (Rep. D. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1055 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

**House Bill No. 1055****House Transportation Committee**

Room 327E | Jan. 10, 2025, 10:20 a.m.

Robin Rehborg, Deputy Director for Driver Safety

Good morning, Chairperson and members of the Committee. I'm Robin Rehborg, Deputy Director for Driver Safety for the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT). I'm here to introduce and give supportive testimony for HB 1055.

In HB 1055, NDDOT is requesting the repeal of section 39-21-35 of the North Dakota Century Code pertaining to hydraulic brake fluid. When this was put into law in the early 1960's, there was not a federal organization to handle the regulation of these types of fluids, so it was the responsibility of the states.

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The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) currently regulates motor vehicle brake fluids under 49 CFR 571.116. Given this federal oversight, the NDDOT is requesting to repeal the corresponding state law to eliminate redundancy and ensure regulatory alignment.

The NDDOT recommends a "do pass" on HB 1055. This concludes my testimony. Thank you.

2025 SENATE TRANSPORTATION

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2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Transportation Committee Fort Totten Room, State Capitol

HB 1055
2/13/2025

Relating to the regulation of hydraulic brake fluid.
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10:01 a.m. Chairman Clemens opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Clemens, Vice Chairwoman Cory, Senator Hogan, Senator Klein, Senator Paulson, Senator Rummel

Discussion Topics:

- Enforcement of quality of hydraulic brake fluid

10:01 a.m. Robin Rehborg, Deputy Director of Driver Safety, NDDOT, introduced HB 1055, testified in favor and submitted testimony #37453.

10:06 a.m. Chairman Clemens closed the hearing.

10:07 a.m. Senator Klein moved a Do Pass.

10:07 a.m. Senator Rummel seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator David A. Clemens	Y
Senator Claire Cory	Y
Senator Kathy Hogan	Y
Senator Jerry Klein	Y
Senator Bob Paulson	Y
Senator Dean Rummel	Y

Motion passed 6-0-0.

Senator Klein will carry the bill.

10:08 a.m. Chairman Clemens closed the hearing.

Chance Anderson, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1055 ([25.8043.01000](#))

Transportation Committee (Sen. Clemens, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1055 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**House Bill No. 1055****Senate Transportation Committee**

Ft. Totten Room | Feb. 13, 2025, 10 a.m.

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