

**2025 SENATE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**SB 2050**

# 2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

## State and Local Government Committee Room JW216, State Capitol

SB 2050  
1/9/2025

Relating to director of the state crime laboratory
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10:55 a.m. Chair Roers called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chair Roers; Vice Chair Castaneda; Senators: Barta, Braunberger, Lee and Walen.

### Discussion Topics:

- Classified employee position

10:58 Clair Ness, Deputy Attorney General, testified in favor of SB 2050.

11:00 a.m. Chair Roers closed the hearing.

11:01 a.m. Senator Lee moved a Do Pass.

11:01 a.m. Senator Barta seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Kristin Roers	Y
Senator Jose L. Castaneda	Y
Senator Jeff Barta	Y
Senator Ryan Braunberger	Y
Senator Judy Lee	Y
Senator Chuck Walen	Y

Motion Passed 6-0-0

Senator Barta will carry the bill.

11:02 Chair Roers closed the meeting.

*Susan Helbling, Committee Clerk*

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**  
**SB 2050 ([25.8020.01000](#))**

**State and Local Government Committee (Sen. Roers, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING), and be placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**2025 HOUSE JUDICIARY**

**SB 2050**

# 2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Judiciary Committee**  
Room JW327B, State Capitol

SB 2050  
2/18/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 54-12-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the director of the state crime laboratory.

9:00 a.m. Chairman Klemin called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Klemin, Vice-Chairman Karls, Vice-Chairman Vetter, Representatives Christianson, Henderson, Hoverson, Johnston, S. Olson, Satrom, Tveit, VanWinkle, Wolff, Schneider

Members Absent: Representative McLeod

## **Discussion Topics:**

- Classified positions
- Protections offered to classified positions

9:02 a.m. Jennifer Penner, Crime Lab Director for the Office of the Attorney General, testified in favor.

9:08 a.m. Representative Tveit moved a Do Pass.

9:08 a.m. Representative Schneider seconded the motion.

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Lawrence R. Klemin	Y
Representative Karen Karls	Y
Representative Steve Vetter	Y
Representative Nels Christianson	Y
Representative Donna Henderson	Y
Representative Jeff Hoverson	N
Representative Daniel Johnston	Y
Representative Carrie McLeod	A
Representative SuAnn Olson	N
Representative Bernie Satrom	Y
Representative Mary Schneider	Y
Representative Bill Tveit	Y
Representative Lori VanWinkle	N
Representative Christina Wolff	Y

9:10 a.m. Motion passed 10-3-1

9:10 a.m. Representative Schneider will carry the bill.

9:10 a.m. Chairman Klemin closed the hearing.

*Wyatt Armstrong, Committee Clerk*

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**  
**SB 2050 ([25.8020.01000](#))**

**Judiciary Committee (Rep. Klemin, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (10 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). SB 2050 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.