

2025 SENATE INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS

SB 2163

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry and Business Committee Fort Union Room, State Capitol

SB 2163
1/21/2025

A bill relating to contractor reporting thresholds for single projects.

10:51 a.m. Chairman Barta opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Barta, Vice-Chairman Boehm, Senator Klein, Senator Kessel, Senator Enget

Discussion Topics:

- Annual contractor certification
- Industry cost increase
- History of threshold

10:52 a.m. Senator Greg Kessel, District 39, testified in favor and introduced the bill.

10:53 a.m. Beth Herzog, Information Management, Licensing, and Notary Director for the Office of the Secretary of State, testified in favor.

10:55 a.m. Chairman Barta closed the hearing.

10:56 a.m. Senator Kessel moved a Do Pass.

10:56 a.m. Senator Enget seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Jeff Barta	Y
Senator Keith Boehm	Y
Senator Mark Enget	Y
Senator Greg Kessel	Y
Senator Jerry Klein	Y

Motion passed 5-0-0.

Senator Kessel will carry the bill.

10:56 a.m. Chairman Barta closed the hearing.

Audrey Oswald, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
SB 2163 ([25.0634.01000](#))

Industry and Business Committee (Sen. Barta, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). SB 2163 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

2025 HOUSE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS AND LABOR

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2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee Room JW327C, State Capitol

SB 2163
3/11/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 43-07-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to contractor reporting thresholds for single projects.

2:34 p. m. Chairman Warrey opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Warrey, Vice Chairman Ostlie, Vice Chairman Johnson, Representatives Bahl, T. Brown, Christy, Finley-DeVille, Grindberg, Kasper, Koppelman, D. Ruby, Schatz, Schauer, Vollmer

Member Absent: Representative C. Brown

Discussion Topics:

- Threshold change
- Materials and labor costs
- Classes of contractors
- Enforcement with Attorney General

2:34 p.m. Senator Greg Kessel, District 39, Belfield, ND, introduced and testified.

2:37 p.m. Beth Herzog, Licensing Notary and Information Services Director, ND Secretary of State, testified in favor and submitted testimony #40493.

2:43 p.m. Representative D. Ruby moved Do Pass.

2:43 p.m. Representative Schatz seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Jonathan Warrey	Y
Representative Mitch Ostlie	AB
Representative Jorin Johnson	Y
Representative Landon Bahl	Y
Representative Collette Brown	AB
Representative Timothy Brown	Y
Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille	Y
Representative Karen Grindberg	Y
Representative Jim Kasper	Y
Representative Ben Koppelman	AB
Representative Dan Ruby	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	Y
Representative Austin Schauer	Y

Representative Daniel R. Vollmer	Y
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Motion passed 11-0-3.

2:44 p.m. Representative Schatz will carry the bill.

2:44 p.m. Chairman Warrey closed the meeting.

Diane Lillis, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
SB 2163 ([25.0634.01000](#))

Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Warrey, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (11 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 3 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). SB 2163 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.



SENATE BILL NO. 2163
MARCH 11, 2025

HOUSE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS & LABOR
JONATHAN WARREY, CHAIR

TESTIMONY PRESENTED BY

BETH HERZOG, INFORMATION MANAGEMENT, LICENSING, AND NOTARY DIRECTOR

Chairman Warrey and members of the committee, I am Beth Herzog, and I am the Information Management, Licensing, and Notary Director for the Office of the Secretary of State. I am here today to ask for your support of Senate Bill 2163.

This bill increases the reporting threshold for projects, contracts, or subcontracts completed by a contractor. Currently, contractors must report on their license renewal each year, any project, contract, or subcontract over \$25,000 for the preceding calendar year. We are requesting that this amount be increased to \$50,000.

Initially, in 1963, contractors were required to report any project, contract, or subcontract regardless of the amount. In 1983, a threshold was set at \$10,000 for this reporting and increased to \$25,000 in 2001, which is the current threshold. We have received various complaints from contractors related to the low threshold since materials, labor, and other costs related to the industry have increased over the past 20 years. Due to the increase in costs and the length of time since the threshold was last changed, we believe this increase is warranted.

I urge your support for Senate Bill 2163 and am happy to stand for any questions you may have.