

2023 HOUSE TRANSPORTATION

HB 1079

2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Transportation Committee
Room JW327E, State Capitol

HB 1079
1/5/2023

A bill relating to the department of transportation entering into reciprocal agreements with adjoining states and provinces for the inspection and testing of fabricated products or materials.

Chairman Ruby opened the hearing at 1:30pm.

Members present: Chairman Ruby, Vice Chairman Grueneich, Representatives Anderson, Christensen, Dyk, Frelich, Hauck, Koppelman, Murphy, Timmons, Wagner, Weisz, Dakane, Dobervich. No members absent.

Discussion Topics:

- Fabricated product inspection and testing
- Inspection and testing agreements with neighboring states

Matt Linneman, Deputy Director of Engineering for the Department of Transportation, testified in support (#12403).

Chairman Ruby closed the hearing at 1:42pm.

Representative Grueneich moved a Do Pass.

Representative Murphy seconded the motion.

Rollcall vote:

Representatives	Vote
Representative Dan Ruby	Y
Representative Jim Grueneich	Y
Representative Karen A. Anderson	Y
Representative Cole Christensen	Y
Representative Hamida Dakane	Y
Representative Gretchen Dobervich	Y
Representative Scott Dyk	Y
Representative Kathy Frelich	Y
Representative Dori Hauck	Y
Representative Ben Koppelman	Y
Representative Eric James Murphy	Y
Representative Kelby Timmons	Y
Representative Scott Wagner	Y
Representative Robin Weisz	Y

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Motion passed 14-0-0

Representative Dakane is the bill carrier.

Meeting adjourned at 1:47pm.

Mary Brucker, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1079: Transportation Committee (Rep. D. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1079 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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2023 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Transportation Committee Fort Totten Room, State Capitol

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2/16/2023

Relating to the department of transportation entering into reciprocal agreements with adjoining states and provinces for the inspection and testing of fabricated products or materials.

10:44 AM Chairman Clemens opens meeting.

Senators Present: **Clemens, Conley, Larsen, Rummel, Paulson.**

Discussion Topics:

- Fabricated products
- North Dakota material standards

10:45 AM Matt Linneman, Deputy Director for Engineering for the North Dakota Department of Transportation, in favor. #20925

10:50 AM Chairman Clemens adjourns hearing.

10:50 AM Senator Larsen moved a Do Pass.

10:50 AM Senator Conley seconded.

Senators	Vote
Senator David A. Clemens	Y
Senator Cole Conley	Y
Senator Doug Larsen	Y
Senator Bob Paulson	Y
Senator Dean Rummel	Y

Motion passed 5-0-0

10:51 AM Senator Conley will carry.

10:52 AM Chairman Clemens adjourned meeting.

Nathan Liesen, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1079: Transportation Committee (Sen. Clemens, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1079 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

TESTIMONY

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**House Bill No. 1079****House Transportation Committee**

Room 327E | January 5, 2023, 1:30 pm

Matt Linneman, Deputy Director for Engineering

Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. I'm Matt Linneman, Deputy Director for Engineering for the North Dakota Department of Transportation (DOT). I'm here to introduce and support House Bill 1079.

House Bill 1079 will provide the DOT authority to enter into agreements with adjoining states and provinces to provide inspection and testing of fabricated products that are produced in North Dakota but will be incorporated into highway construction projects outside of North Dakota.

The DOT currently has contracts with Minnesota and South Dakota to provide inspection and testing services for certain fabricated products made in their states. These agreements provide significant benefit for the DOT as we get a high level of expertise at a very reasonable rate. The current contracts typically involve an hourly reimbursement of the adjoining state DOTs staff time and expenses.

As we renew or enter into future agreements with our neighboring states and as more fabrication work is done in North Dakota, we would like to make these agreements reciprocal, so we can work cooperatively with our partners in the region.

This concludes my testimony. Thank you.



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House Bill No. 1079**Senate Transportation Committee**

Fort Totten Room | February 16, 2023, 10:30 am

Matt Linneman, Deputy Director for Engineering

Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. I'm Matt Linneman, Deputy Director for Engineering for the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT). I'm here to support House Bill 1079.

House Bill 1079 will provide the NDDOT authority to enter into agreements with adjoining states and provinces to provide inspection and testing of fabricated products that are produced in North Dakota but will be incorporated into highway construction projects outside of North Dakota.

The NDDOT currently has contracts with Minnesota and South Dakota to provide inspection and testing services for certain fabricated products made in their states. These agreements provide significant benefit for the NDDOT as we get a high level of expertise at a very reasonable rate. The current contracts typically involve an hourly reimbursement of the adjoining state NDDOT's staff time and expenses.

As we renew or enter into future agreements with our neighboring states and as more fabrication work is done in North Dakota, we would like to make these agreements reciprocal, so we can work cooperatively with our partners in the region.

This concludes my testimony. Thank you.