## **TESTIMONY in SUPPORT of HB 1382**

## PRESENTED BY JAMES SCHMIDT

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Chairman Heinert and Members of the Education Committee:

I am James Schmidt, executive director for the North Dakota State Electrical Board testifying in support of House Bill 1382.

HB 1382 offering a scholarship will help address the shortage of tradespeople by encouraging individuals to go to college and hopefully the electrical trade.

I thank the bill sponsors and this committee for hearing my comments and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.