

2021 SENATE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS AND LABOR

SB 2052

2021 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee Fort Union Room, State Capitol

SB 2052
1/18/2021

Relating to boiler inspections

Chair Klein opened the hearing at 2:02 a.m. All members present. Senators Klein, Larsen, Kreun, Burkhard, Veeda, and Marcellais were present.

Discussion Topics:

- Inspection fees
- Increase in fees

David Glatt, Director of ND Department of Environmental Quality [14:02] testified in favor and submitted testimony #1168.

Trevor Simon, Chief Boiler Inspector DEQ [14:06] testified in favor.

Brady Pelton, Director of Government Affairs for Petroleum Council [14:14] testified in favor.

Senator Kreun moved a DO PASS [14:15].

Senator Veeda seconded the motion [14:16].

[14:16]

Senators	Vote
Senator Jerry Klein	Y
Senator Doug Larsen	Y
Senator Randy A. Burckhard	Y
Senator Curt Kreun	Y
Senator Richard Marcellais	Y
Senator Shawn Vedaa	Y

Motion passed: 6-0-0

Senator Kreun will carry the bill [14:17].

Chair Klein closed the hearing at 2:17 p.m.

Gail Stanek, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2052: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2052 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

Testimony
Senate Bill 2052
Senate Industry, Business and Labor Committee
Monday, January 18, 2021
North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality

Good afternoon Chairman Lefor and members of the Senate Industry, Business and Labor Committee. I am David Glatt, Director of the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). The DEQ is the primary agency responsible for the implementation of environmental protection programs in the state. I am here today to testify in support of Senate Bill 2052.

Senate Bill 2052 proposes an increase of the certificate fee for the Boiler Inspection Program. The Boiler Inspection Program is responsible for the routine independent inspection of boilers that, in part, service industry, multiple dwelling buildings and governmental facilities. The four inspectors located in Bismarck and Fargo ensure the integrity and safety of boilers.

During the sixty-sixth legislative assembly, HB1024 transferred the Boiler Inspection Program from the Insurance Department to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). During the bill discussion, it was noted that the revenue generated by the Boiler Inspection Program was not sufficient to cover program expenditures. Therefore, language was added in the bill which stated that the Department should evaluate the Boiler Inspection Program during the 2019-20 interim and develop a program fee plan to meet program expenses. The DEQ reviewed the Boiler Inspection program revenue sources and program expenditures and determined the program needed to increase the inspection fee rates and certificate fee.

The inspection fees, separate from the boiler certificate fees, are set in the Boiler Inspection Program Rules, Administrative Code Article 33.1-14. The Department amended the rules to increase the inspection fees, which were effective July 1, 2020. Senate Bill 2052 proposes to increase the boiler certificate fee from twenty dollars per certificate year to thirty-five dollars per certificate year. The increase in the certificate fee along with the increase of the inspection fee will meet the legislative intent per the sixty-sixth legislative assembly HB1024. Please note, the last time the boiler certificate fee was increased was July 1, 2011. This concludes my testimony on Senate Bill 2052. I stand for questions.

2021 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2052

2021 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee
Roughrider Room, State Capitol

SB 2052
1/25/2021
Senate Appropriations Committee

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 23.1-16-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to boiler inspections.

Senator Holmberg called the hearing to order at 2:48 pm.

Discussion Topics:

- Boiler Inspection Rules & Fees
- Boiler inspector's expertise
- Integrity of boilers

Dave Glatt, Director, Dept. of Environmental Quality – introduced the bill.

Senator Holmberg closed the hearing at 3:01 pm.

Rose Laning, Committee Clerk

2021 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Roughrider Room, State Capitol

SB 2052
2/17/2021
Senate Appropriations Committee

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 23.1-16-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to boiler inspections.

Senator Holmberg opened the committee work at 8:38 a.m.

Senators present: **Holmberg, Krebsbach, Wanzek, Bekkedahl, Poolman, Erbele, Dever, Oehlke, Rust, Davison, Hogue, Sorvaag, Mathern, and Heckaman.**

Senator Hogue moved DO NOT PASS on SB 2052.
Senator Poolman second.

<i>Senators</i>		<i>Senators</i>	
<i>Senator Holmberg</i>	Y	<i>Senator Hogue</i>	Y
<i>Senator Krebsbach</i>	Y	<i>Senator Oehlke</i>	Y
<i>Senator Wanzek</i>	Y	<i>Senator Poolman</i>	Y
<i>Senator Bekkedahl</i>	Y	<i>Senator Rust</i>	Y
<i>Senator Davison</i>	Y	<i>Senator Sorvaag</i>	Y
<i>Senator Dever</i>	Y	<i>Senator Heckaman</i>	Y
<i>Senator Erbele</i>	Y	<i>Senator Mathern</i>	Y

Roll Call Vote – 14-0-0. Motion carried.

Senator Hogue will carry the bill.

Senator Holmberg closed the committee work at 10:18 a.m.

Rose Laning, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2052: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2052 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.