

TESTIMONY OF

**Luke Hendrickson, Captain, North Dakota Highway Patrol**

Chairman Monson and members of the Committee,

My name is Luke Hendrickson, and I am the Administrative Services Commander for the North Dakota Highway Patrol. I am here to provide testimony in support of HB1021.

A portion of the funds in this bill will be used to upgrade the security system used by the NDHP to Security Expert for the buildings on the capitol complex. The current system, Andover Continuum, has been in place since the NDHP took over security of the Capitol in 19XX is at the 'end of life' for its capabilities. In a recent audit of the highway patrol, it was discovered that there were deficiencies in tracking card key access to the Capitol building. This was in part to the dated technology of the current system. The new system will likely provide better opportunity for integration into existing systems, allowing for more accurate tracking of employee status.

By replacing our current system with Security Expert there will be present and future opportunities to interface with software and hardware components that make up the security functions of the Capitol building. This upgrade in technology will also allow the NDHP to monitor facilities that will or have already transitioned to the new system, such as our warehouse from one central location. Additionally, Security Expert will allow for better integration with other systems controlled by EcoStuxure, i.e. fire alarms and HVAC, to our security command center. This would provide better security services and response to potential emergencies.

This concludes my testimony. I would appreciate your support for the transition to Security Expert. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and members of the committee, I am happy to stand for any questions.