

North Dakota Ethics Commission Special Meeting

Minutes of January 6, 2023

Senate State and Local Government Committee Hearing

State Capitol Judicial Wing Room #216

Senate Bill 2048

1. **Call to Order:** The legislative hearing of the Senate State and Local Government Committee on Senate Bill 2048 was called to order by the Chair, Senator Kristen Roers, at 9:02 a.m. The following members representing a quorum of the Ethics Commission were also present: Chair Paul Richard, Vice Chair David Anderson, Commissioner Cynthia Lindquist, Executive Director Rebecca Binstock, and Office Manager Holly Gaugler.
2. **SB 2048 Hearing:** SB 2048 amends N.D.C.C. Chapter 54-66 and includes three sections. These amendments equitably expand the classes of individuals who can file a complaint, promote consistent application of the Ethics Commission's jurisdiction, and revise the process of notifying an individual accused of an alleged ethics violation. Executive Director Binstock presented testimony. The video is available at: [North Dakota Legislative Branch Video \(ndlegis.gov\)](https://ndlegis.gov). No official action by the Senate State and Local Government Committee was taken at this time on SB 2048.
3. **Adjourn:** The legislative hearing for SB 2048 before the Senate State and Local Government Committee adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Approved on 3/15/2023 

Rebecca Binstock, Executive Director, North Dakota Ethics Commission