WDC MISSION

- Advise the Governor and the public concerning the nature and extent of North Dakota’s workforce needs
- Optimize opportunities and eliminate unnecessary duplication of effort
WDC MEMBERSHIP

- Private Industry
- Organized Labor
- Education
- Elected Officials
- State Workforce Representatives
WDC THEMES

- Earlier & More Diverse Career Exploration and Addressing the Technical Skills Gap
- Removing Barriers to Employment
- Occupational Licensing Reform
- Recruitment & Retention of Workers
Expansion of Area Career & Technical Centers

Update, refine career exploration tools in schools

- Incl. training for instructors

Expand industry/career exploration

Grant program to create virtual examples of high demand careers

Support marketing for ND Career Builders (HB 1171)*
REMOVING BARRIERS

- Job Placement Pilot Program
- Certificate Program
- Targeted Marketing Campaign
- Remove vague or generic terms
- Transparency regarding criminal convictions & pre-qualification
- Annual Data Collection
- SB 2306 cleanup
Sustained funding for Technical Skills Training Grant
- Support current $2M funding allocation for TrainND in CTE Budget
- Recruitment Campaign
FOR MORE INFORMATION

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THANK YOU!