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Testimony of Darrell Oswald North Dakota Ag Coalition Chairman In Support of HB 1437

Chairman Johnson and members of the committee, my name is Darrell Oswald, and I am here today as chairman of the North Dakota Ag Coalition.

The Ag Coalition has provided a unified voice for North Dakota agricultural interests for over 35 years. Today, we represent more than 40 statewide organizations and associations that represent specific commodities or have a direct interest in agriculture. Through the Ag Coalition, our members seek to enhance the climate for North Dakota's agricultural producers.

The Ag Coalition takes a position on a limited number of issues, brought to us by our members, that have significant impact on North Dakota's producers and agriculture industry. The Ag Coalition unanimously supports HB 1437 as it streamlines the drain tile permit application process for the applicant as well as the local government.

Subsurface water management is important in the production of agricultural commodities of North Dakota, and the ND Ag Coalition encourages your support of HB 1437.