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Testimony of Melanie Gaebe House Bill 1081 House Energy and Natural Resources Committee January 15, 2021

Chairman Porter and members of the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee, I am Melanie Gaebe, Policy Analyst, and I am representing Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring. I am here today in opposition of House Bill 1081.

We are concerned with the provisions of this bill because it puts game and fish employees in the precarious situation of implementing the management policies established by the Board of University and School Lands. If the committee decides to move this bill forward, we would ask you to consider amending the language to allow local authorities to be the enforcing agents.

Chairman Porter and committee members, thank you for your consideration of my testimony. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.