Written testimony of Senate Bill 2238

Chairman Kreun and Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Members

My name is Kevin Herrmann from Beulah, ND. I am representing myself.

After reading Senate Bill 2238 more than once, I am opposing of Senate Bill 2238 due to page 2 subsection 5, lines 19 to line 29. It does not make sense for the Department of Environmental Quality to submit a state regional haze plan to the legislative assembly. When did the supermajority of legislators become experts on environmental dealing with regional haze plan?

In the 65th Legislative session, Senator Bell sponsor Senate Bill 2327 which added another state agency called Department of Environmental Quality. Senate Bill 2327 set policy for what the department is supposed to do.

Now, Senate Bill 2238 will not allow the Department of Environmental Quality to do their work without the legislative assembly getting in the way of their job.

Again, I am oppose of Senate Bill 2238 unless the Senate Energy and Natural Resources committee amends in taking out subsection 5 on page 2, lines 19-29.

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