Senate Bill 2143

TESTIMONY BY: BRENDA DOLL, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, ND ASSOCIATION OF FARM MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANIES BEFORE ND HOUSE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS & LABOR COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN LOUSER, VICE CHAIRMAN OSTLIE, AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS & LABOR COMMITTEE:

MY NAME IS BRENDA DOLL, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE NORTH DAKOTA ASSOCIATION OF FARM MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANIES, REPRESENTING 10 COUNTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY MEMBERSFROM ACROSS NORTH DAKOTA. I HAVE 38 YEARS OF COUNTY MUTUAL INSURANCE BUSINESS. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 2211.

ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBER COMPANIES OF OUR INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, OUR FULL SUPPORT IS FOR DO PASS ON SB 2211. THIS BILL WILL FULLY SUPPORT THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE THROUGH THE MOVEMENT TO THE NORTH DAKOTA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT. HAVING THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL WITHIN THE ND INSURANCE DEPARTMENT IS A GREAT STRATEGIC AND PROPER MOVE.

THIS BILL WILL ALSO ALLOW FOR THE PREMIUM TAXES COLLECTED BY ALL OF THE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO BE REMITTED TO THE INSURANCE DISTRICTS AND DEPARTMENTS ACROSS THE STATE OF ND, WITHOUT A PERCENTAGE APPROPRIAAATION OF THE DOLLARS DESIGNATED FOR THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA GENERAL FUND. THESE FUNDS GREATLY BENEFIT THE FIRE DISTRICTS AND DEPARTMENTS, ALLOWING THEM FUNDS TO SECURE APPROPRIATE EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING.

I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR A DO PASS ON SB 2211! THANK YOU!

BRENDA DOLL