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Chairman Luick and Members of the Senate Ag and Veterans Affairs Committee,

## DO PASS HB 1332

What a great way to support North Dakota AG with New manufacturing and processing facilities in North Dakota. New plants like Agristo coming into North Dakota mean the world to Ag producers.

North Dakota can be the Center of incoming companies expanding into the United States.

I don't think anyone really has a handle yet on the expansion and infrastructure needs to support a large processing plant like this. 40 to 60,000 additional acres of Potatoes needed to support it. They have the market sales and are coming to ND. Fantastic news. The biggest news for a potato grower in a while.

## Highlights of things to come

- 1. New Farm potato storage. (Agristo needs farm storage to support plant 24/365)
- New specialized Farm seed storage for whole seed. (box crates, sorting and sizing)
- 3. New varieties and opportunities for seed growers. (Universities like NDSU)
- 4. Specialized equipment for whole seed
- 5. New manufacturing orders for equipment. Lockwood, Tri Steel, Harriston, and Mayo are all local manufacturers of potato equipment.
- 6. New opportunity for young farmers
- 7. More technology.
- 8. More opportunities for ND to lead the way.
- 9. JOBS>>>>>
- 10. Expansion of local coops and agronomy centers.

The on-farm investment to serve this plant will be a huge boost to the rural North Dakota Economy. Please Help get it built, and we will make all these investments above. Please help support SB2039 also. It goes hand in hand with this bill to secure our finances with banks for these infrastructure projects.

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## **Powered by Potatoes**