Testimony in Opposition to SB2174 Prepared by Sandy Hansen, resident of Barnes County, ND I would like to encourage the committee to give this bill a ODo Not PassÓ recommendation. The attempt to greatly reduce setback requirements of Animal Feeding Operations (AFO) does not take into consideration the quality of life of our rural citizens. In a very recent essay by Alec T. Goss D An Iowa-Focused Impact Analysis of ÔNational Pork Producers v. RossÕ D the author points out that OThe costs to human health D monetary and physical D must be prioritized when considering the impacts of industrial agriculture. O He further explains that living near an AFO can increase various respiratory conditions, gastrointestinal diseases, and even PTSD symptoms as hydrogen sulfides and semivolatile particles can be linked to feelings of stress and anxiety. There is also the risk of infectious disease in livestock that can pose a threat to nearby homesteads and communities, plus the risk of harm to our dwindling water supplies. And, as always, the loss of value on properties surrounding AFOs because of the risks cited above as well as the D letÕs face it D inescapable stench. This is a bad and unreasonable bill, PLEASE VOTE NO ON SB2174. Thank

you.