Dear Chairman Dennis Johnson And House Ag Committee members

I write in opposition to HB1478, My name is Gene Harris and I ranch with our family in Dunn county.

We currently pay the Beef checkoff and are firm believers in the ability to help ourselves with this program. I have a blood condition that most of the cutting edge research has come from Grand Forks and Dr. Fariba Roughhead. It is only with checkoff dollars that we are able to show the importance of iron in the diet and her research on humans is possible with this additional dollar we pay. This not only helps producers but every Human in America that eats. I believe when ND can be the leader in the world not just ND or America then we fulfill our mission as human beings to Leave things a little better than we found them. I ask you to vote no on HB 1478 for the betterment of us all.

Respectfully

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