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I will be appearing virtually to provide oral testimony at the March 5th, 2021 meeting of the House Agriculture Committee at the invitation of Chairman Johnson to provide information regarding the reasons for and implications of the language tweaks proposed by Senate Bill No. 2216. The proposed language tweaks will not change the meaning of the relevant statute but will clarify the statute by replacing a reference to land zoned for a certain "purpose" with the more technically correct term "zoning district."

This change will avoid unnecessary confusion and ensure N.D.C.C. § 58-03-11.1 is read consistently with its sister-statute N.D.C.C. § 58-03-11 which authorizes townships to create zoning districts.

Respectfully,

/s/ Tyler Leverington