

## House Appropriations – SB 2020 Pete Hanebutt, NDFB Public Policy Director Emmery Mehlhoff, NDFB Public Policy Liaison March 9, 2021

Representative Monson and members of the committee,

I am here to represent the North Dakota Farm Bureau on behalf of our 28,000 members families. NDFB supports SB 2020.

Agriculture is the main pillar of the economic system in North Dakota and Ag extension research at NDSU is a part of the future of our agriculture economy.

NDFB has policies in support of North Dakota State University Extension Service, Northern Crops Institute, Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute, Main Research Center, Branch Research Centers, and Agronomy Seed Farm.

For these reasons, NDFB supports the funding and missions of NDSU.