

Testimony of Senator Howard C Anderson Jr. of District 8 on House Bill  
1392 before the House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

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Chairman Kasper and members of the House Government and Veterans  
Affairs Committee.

I signed onto this bill because I received several calls from constituents  
last fall when the land lease auctions were due. I also talked to some of  
my neighbors and none of those I spoke with were happy about the  
change to an online auction.

Farmers and ranchers want to get together at the courthouse and have  
a live auction.

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They did not want to turn their life over to an online system.

The question came up. If we cannot have a live auction why not just  
extend the leases another year until the virus settles down.

This bill provides that option.

Sincerely,

Howard