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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of House Bill #1151.

If you outlaw baiting it will hurt the bowhunting industry, from archery equipment sales to gas, food & lodging, outfitters will have fewer clients, license sales and the archery industry will drop to under $\frac{3}{4}$'s of what it is now.

The schools are teaching archery to our youth to promote the sport thus more hunting by youth. Right now, we have more interest in bowhunting than ever before, let's not destroy it.

Deer are a social animal, they are in constant contact with each other. Hard winters show them bunching up in herds of 200-300 in cattle feed lots and fields.

Do not outlaw baiting, just to say we did something. The Game & Fish Dept. has said there is nothing they can do to stop CWD and yes that came from the Game & Fish Dept.

Let's not put an end to bowhunting in ND.

Thank you,

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