

Chairman Porter and members of the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee, my name is Todd Jones from Bowdon, ND.

I am providing testimony in support of bill 2364 because I am a farmer and own land that Garrison Diversion and the Red River Valley Water Pipeline project is proposing to cross.

Ever since this process started back in 2009, we have dealt with a lot of deceit and dishonesty from Garrison Diversion. We as landowners have always wondered how we would be protected from liability in the event of a number of things that possibly could happen, as we don't feel Garrison Diversion would assume responsibility given their past track record. We as landowners should not be liable for any of the possible consequences that could arise during the construction or the lifetime of this massive pipeline. This bill would help to alleviate some of our concerns relating to who would actually have ownership and liability of the pipeline.

Therefore I ask for your support and thank you for your time.

Thank you,
Todd Jones