



**North Dakota Grain Growers Association
Testimony in Support of
HB 1370
Senate Appropriations Committee
March 20, 2023**

Chairman Bekkedahl, members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, for the record my name is Dan Wogsland, Executive Director of the North Dakota Grain Growers Association (NDGGA). NDGGA, through our contracts with the North Dakota Wheat Commission and the North Dakota Barley Council, engages in domestic policy issues on the state and federal level on behalf of North Dakota wheat and barley farmers. I am providing testimony for you today on behalf of NDGGA in support of HB 1370.

HB 1370 creates a sales tax exemption for the gross receipts from the sale and/or repairs of grain bins in the state. The bill should provide an incentive for the new construction as well as the maintenance of grain storage facilities in North Dakota. Up to date grain bins that are either newly built or upgraded are essential to the success of the agriculture industry in the state. This would allow for better marketing opportunities as well as the maintenance of quality commodities which helps feed the nation and the world.

Therefore the North Dakota Grain Growers Association supports HB 1370 and would respectfully request that the Senate Appropriations Committee as well as the full Senate give HB 1370 a Do Pass recommendation.

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