

I am in opposition of HB 1151 for the following reasons:

- The North Dakota Game and Fish Department is directed and entrusted to manage wildlife populations for all citizens. Putting legislative blocks on their ability to do their job is misguided. The restrictions outlined in this bill are especially concerning given the threat that Chronic Wasting Disease poses to deer in our state.
- I reject the idea that this bill protects private property rights. Wildlife are a public trust resource. They are not owned by individuals or only those that own property. Please do not let the personal interests of a very few outweigh the public good.

I urge the committee to reject this bill, as it is not in the best interest of the citizens of North Dakota.

Sincerely,

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