

Dear House Committee,

I am writing in opposition to HB 1236. License fees are paid by sportsman for to manage North Dakota's wildlife populations and health. The expectation from the sportsman is that game and fish will manage utilizing the best available science and management techniques. This bill seeks to remove funding for a fundamental component of wildlife management. Disease outbreak and increased infections can be catastrophic to wildlife populations and managing the spread following the best science is paramount. Taking funding away from the Department is short sighted and will only lead to declines in the health of our State's wildlife.

Please vote DO NOT PASS on HB 1236

Sincerely,

Curt Francis