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Chairman Ruby and members of the committee,

I am Matt Heilman, and I am a state representative from North Dakota's seventh legislative district in Bismarck. I am here to testify in favor of HB 1346. This is a constituent bill, so I can answer your basic questions but the more detailed questions about the situation are better for him.

Right now, there are people riding off-highway vehicles on people's property causing a mess. I have emailed you all the pictures of the damage being done. There is also testimony uploaded online of the damage happening. The main issue is that the county claims to not have the authority to do anything about this issue. This is why section two of the bill is adding county. We are simply giving the counties the authority to address this issue. The change in section three may seem harsh, but we also require those with a permit on the road to have someone in the car who has their license. Section four just raises the fines. I am certainly open to what the committee may suggest, but the most important part of this bill is section two. The counties need the authority to help property owners with their property being damaged. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee I will certainly stand for any questions.