

As an avid sportsman, conservationist, biologist, and outdoorsman of North Dakota, I oppose Senate Bill 2137. **Wildlife management decisions need to be driven by science** and in the control of our North Dakota Game and Fish Department. If wildlife management decisions are not made in a wholistic manner, then we are not serving wildlife populations or our natural resources as well as we can or should be. I prefer to see the great wildlife and natural resource opportunities that we have in North Dakota managed by sound and informed decision making so that we can maintain it for years and generations to come.

I am opposed to the congregation of wildlife due to any human interference or causes and can appreciate the risk that is associated with it.

As a hunter and biologist, I urge you to oppose allowing baiting on private lands and the removal of ND Game and Fish control over such decisions.