

I am writing this letter in support of SB 2137. Game and Fish have tested 40,000 deer in the last 20 some years and have found 70 positive cases, and all have been killed by hunters. The rules state that I can bait anywhere or anytime but as soon as I pick up a weapon it somehow spreads CWD.

Another issue is keeping the youth interested. I have a 10 year old that started bowhunting this year and keeping him interested is tough. Taking hunting over bait away would probably be the end of it.

The biggest threats too our deer herd are winters, habitat, EHD, and the Game and Fish itself.

Please suggest a do pass recommendation on SB 2137

Thanks,

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