

My Name is Terry Kissner from Westhope, ND. I have been a bowhunter for 60 years, an archery instructor for 40+ years and was a competitive archer for many years during the 80s and 90s. I take young archers hunting for the first time and a bait pile to pull a deer close and hold them there gives me time to explain shot placement and where to aim. A lot of these kids have never been close to any wildlife and to see their eyes light up when any animal come close is priceless. I believe bait is just another tool a hunter uses just like the Indians used bait to pull animals into an area. I have witnessed 15 bucks by my stand in one night all use the same scrape and all 15 licked the same licking branch above the scrape and 2 does did the same. Further, a buck and doe exchange fluids in November and December. There's only one way to control CWD, and that is to eliminate every deer, moose and elk in North Dakota which I think everyone would agree is not the way to go.

For these reasons I urge a do pass on HB 2137.

Thanks, Terry Kissner