

Testimony of Brianna Mack in support of SB 2390
To the Senate Agriculture and Veterans Affairs Committee
February 7th, 2025

Sen. Luick and members of the Senate Agriculture and Veterans Affairs Committee:

My name is Brianna Mack and I am a committee member of the Hoople Beautification Committee and a board member of the Hoople Swimming Pool Board. I support the passing of SB 2390.

Our rural community is built on committees, board members, and their volunteer hours. As an active member of the community, I see this bill being nothing but beneficial for our small town. We have a population of 247 with a good number being young and active members that support the growth and development of our rural community. We want to see our community thrive for years to come.

The organizations in our community would like to see multiple improvement projects take place in the coming years. Our pool needs a new bathhouse, a new liner, and plumbing is a constant concern to keep it running. The park would like to see new equipment for kids of all ages and for kids with disabilities. The Hoople Community Center group would like to build a patio for gatherings outside. The Beautification Committee would like to put up a gazebo in our town square and keep making improvements to our outdoor spaces and buildings around town. This bill could help kick start all these projects.

Hoople has done grants and fundraising efforts with match programs before so I believe we could use this again in the future for any big projects. We also have many community members that volunteer much of their time if that is a possibility to use volunteer hours instead. We are willing to put in the extra effort if it means we make a big impact in our community.

The struggle of being in a rural community is time, money, and resources. We would not be a thriving community without our members and their support but if we want to see rural communities grow and flourish we need extra resources to make that possible. The passing of SB 2390 could be one of those resources that make the big impacts in our small community possible.

Sincerely,

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