



Subject: Request to Oppose HB 1259 – Protect Outdoor Recreation

Dear Senators,

On behalf of Dacotah Speedway in Mandan we strongly oppose HB 1259, which proposes to eliminate daylight savings time and move North Dakota to permanent standard time. We are concerned about the negative impact this will have on outdoor recreation and the well-being of North Dakotans.

Extended daylight hours are essential to our racing program. All our racing events take place from 7:00 pm to 11:30 pm. Permanent standard time will increase the demand for artificial lighting for an additional hour per event and will lead to higher utility costs.

We urge you to carefully consider the consequences of HB 1259 and request that you oppose the bill to preserve the benefits of daylight savings time for North Dakotans.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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