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To the Members of the Finance and Taxation Committee,

I appreciate your consideration on the HB1195. I also appreciate this virtual webinar option. It certainly provides citizens the opportunity to share their thoughts and concerns with committee members without losing a day of work, driving in storms, etc.

My husband and I manage the Minot Flea Market. In compliance with the N.D.C.C. 57-39.2-10.1 I have been submitting the name and contact information of each vendor for each of the eight markets per year for the last five years to the Compliance Section of the Sales and Special Tax Office.

I find submitting the same names eight times a year a bit redundant. I have been told by long time vendors that they have not been contacted to verify their participation or activities. In 2018 I was told by the tax office that this information is used for educational purposes only.

I submit that we as managers of special events would only need to submit the names and contact information of the new vendors or those who have a change in their contact information. The list of such would be significantly shorter for the office to peruse, which, to me would be fiscally prudent. For example, our normal attendance at each market is 80 to 90 vendors of which only about seven to twelve would be new the flea market.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully submitted,

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