

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Testimony on SB 2038

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Chairman Kreun and members of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources committee, my name is Brian Hosek, Administrative Services of the North Dakota Game and Fish Department and I am testifying in support of SB 2038.

The legislative management study provided for the development of an electronic posting application. We are aware this has been a long-standing topic of discussion, attempting to promote private property rights and access to public wildlife resources. There have been many thoughts on the features this application may offer.

The direction from the interim committee helped formulate a plan to propose an electronic posting solution. There was an effort to focus on the usability of the application and provide a simplified user experience for landowners to post land and hunters to identify these lands.

The system that was provided for the study meets the expectations for landowners interested in pursuing an electronic posting option. Additionally, the tools, maps and applications available on the Game and Fish website are able to provide the electronic posting information to hunters.

It was requested I provide a presentation and give a tour of the electronic posting system.

This will conclude my testimony and I will be happy to address any further questions throughout.