TESTIMONY OF JOHN BRADLEY NORTH DAKOTA WILDLIFE FEDERATION SENATE BILL 2038 SENATE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE JANUARY 14, 2021

Chairman Kreun, members of the Energy and Natural Resource Committee:

For the record, I am John Bradley, Executive Director of the North Dakota Wildlife Federation. I am here today representing our members and affiliated wildlife and sportsmen's club across North Dakota.

SB 2038 came out of the interim committee with support from the sportsmen representatives. The bill adds electronic posting as an option for landowners or operators to post their land. It has our support because it does not add a new level of no-trespass, only a new way to post. It allows for information on electronically posted land to be available in an electronic database for hunters and anglers to access. The NDGF Dept. can house this information and make it available electronically with a smartphone, GPS type application, or via a downloadable printable map. The 2020 pilot study proved this concept can work. NDWF supports this bill but realizes that since this bill has also been entirely wrapped into 2144 it does not need to move forward.

I will stand for any questions that the committee may have. Thank you.