My name is Frank Tomac, cattle rancher from Sioux County ND.

I am opposed to HB 1275. This bill does nothing to solve the issue of membership on the ND Beef Commission.

First of all it requires every applicant to submit an application between the busiest and most crucial time of the year. March 1^{st} to May 1^{st} .

Second, it's only gonna be published in each counties local paper <u>TWICE</u> for each at-large position! How many people read the local paper? It's a dying form of communication.

But it will also be published on the ND Beef Commission website. If you've ever been on the ND Beef Commission website, it's one of the most difficult sites to navigate, especially for anyone with limited computer time. It definitely is not cowboy friendly.

One other thing this bill does NOT do, is specify a deadline for the appointment to be filled! This last appointment by the Governor was filled on October 27^{th} ! Well past the start of the July 1^{st} fiscal year.

Thank You

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