



## **House Energy and Natural Resources - SB 2251**

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Chairman Porter and members of the committee,

North Dakota Farm Bureau supports SB 2251.

NDFB is a grassroots organization. Our members bring issues to their county Farm Bureaus, then to their district meetings, and finally to the NDFB Annual Meeting to be voted on by fellow Farm Bureau members. These issues are then compiled to make up our member driven Farm Bureau Policy Book. NDFB has many policies pertaining to eminent domain and private property rights, but our below policy speaks to this bill.

No activities related to right of way purchases, such as surveying on purposed right of way easements, may be performed without landowner's prior written permission. A penalty of \$25,000 and 30 days in jail will be recommended per occurrence– ID # 2156/23

NDFB respectfully requests a "Do Pass" recommendation on SB 2251.

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