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I'm not in favor of or against baiting for deer. But I am against state laws that would directly affect the ability of the wildlife professionals at the North Dakota Game and Fish to do their job (House Bill 1151).

Legislators should not be overruling biological decisions made by a network of professional and experienced biologists and veterinarians who specialize in North Dakota wildlife.

House Bill 1151 is in direct violation of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation (#7):

1. Wildlife resources are conserved and held in trust for all citizens.
2. Commerce in dead wildlife is eliminated.
3. Wildlife is allocated according to democratic rule of law.
4. Wildlife may only be killed for a legitimate, non-frivolous purpose.
5. Wildlife is an international resource.
6. Every person has an equal opportunity under the law to participate in hunting and fishing.
7. Scientific management is the proper means for wildlife conservation.

Thank you,

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