

## Senate Agriculture Committee - HB 1515 Emmery Mehlhoff, NDFB Public Policy Liaison March 16, 2023

Chairman Luick and members of the committee,

My name is Emmery Mehlhoff and I represent the North Dakota Farm Bureau.

NDFB stands in support of HB 1515. Our policy urges our legislators to reduce regulations to allow for as much local products as possible. - ID#: 2437/21

Twenty-eight states currently have less restrictive raw milk laws than North Dakota. Ten states currently allow raw milk to be sold in retail stores. Eighteen states including our surrounding neighbors (Montana, South Dakota, and Minnesota) allow for farm to consumer sales.

NDFB respectfully requests a "Do Pass" recommendation on HB 1515.