

To Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire Recovery

As a member of the Fur Farming community as well as the Agriculture Industry the past 40 plus years, I urge You to Oppose SB 832. There is no scientific reason to shut down local mink farms. All Livestock Producers are at risk if this Legislation passes. Farmers whether they raise Mink, Cattle, Swine, Poultry, Fish, or any other species, must take Biosecurity seriously to protect their means of making a living. Where the "Virus" has been found, the Farm has been quarantined and worked with State and Federal agencies to contain the virus. The Farm is clear of the virus and should not be considered a threat to the Public.

Sincerely,

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Secretary Minnesota Fur Breeders Association