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On Behalf Of:
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Wildfire
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I ask you to oppose this ill conceived bill.

Fertilizer is in my top 3 expenses with payroll and rent. In recent years with the exponential price increase it has passed my payroll expense, but with Ag Overtime, payroll may jump ahead again.

I wanted to address the technology we use in spreading fertilizing to ensure we are super accurate and not wasting fertilizer.

Seven years ago we invested in an Amazone spreader, made in Germany. With this new piece of equipment it came with the following technology:

- Border Control, which throws the fertilizer to the edge of the field
- Boundary Control, which throws the fertilizer to just inside the edge of the field
- Ditch Control, which throws the fertilizer even further inside the field to not risk getting fertilizer in the ditch
- Section Control, which allows the fertilizer to shut off in areas the fertilizer has already been spread to avoid over application..

Farmers continually make investments to do what we do best and that's to take care of the land and leave it better for the future generations.

Thank you, please oppose this bill.