



March 9, 2021

Chair Paul Marquart  
House Committee on Taxes  
597 State Office Building  
St. Paul, MN 55155

RE: HF 1591

Dear Chair Marquart and Members of the Committees,

The Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF) appreciates the opportunity to share written testimony on behalf of our nearly 30,000 members in support of HF 1591.

We appreciate Representative Swedzinski's leadership to expand the sales tax exemption on capital equipment to include machinery and equipment used by butcher shops. The past year has shown how important our local meat processing facilities are to the food supply chain. Minnesota Farm Bureau supports efforts to increase the ag processing capacity for Minnesota farmers and HF 1591 provides a pathway to supporting our local butcher shops through changes to our tax code.

If there are any questions from members of the committee, please do not hesitate to reach out to Minnesota Farm Bureau staff with questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kevin Paap'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kevin Paap  
President  
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