

Re: SB 210, 211

February 14, 2022

Please advise the Committee of my opposition to these bills to eliminate safety precautions for RV's and Snowmobiles. The mandatory helmet requirements were initiated and implemented based on scientific research and support of the recreation industry. As the Director of Outdoor Recreation for the State of North Dakota and creator of the North Dakota Snowmobile Association, plus 22 years as Executive Director of the Michigan Recreation and Park Association, the regulations are reasonable, affordable and enforceable.

While the nation seems to be frustrated in individual rights being mandated, there is no upside in abandoning the current system. I would suggest the Committee table the action, thus giving the sponsor the back door that "he tried". One accident, death or serious injury is not a risk that anyone should put their name on.

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