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Mr. President:

The Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **S.B. 56**, WILDLAND FIRE POLICY, by Senator E. Vickers, with the following amendments:

1. *Page 2, Lines 47 through 52:*

47 (1) The director shall:
48 (a) coordinate the development of a comprehensive, state-wide wildland fire
49 prevention, preparedness, and suppression policy; ~~{and}~~ =
 (b) coordinate with applicable state agencies to identify critical wildlife habitat
 areas as the policy described in Subsection (1)(a) is developed; and
50 ~~{(b)}~~ **(c)** report to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment
 Interim Committee
51 by November 30, 2015, on the director's recommendation for the policy described in
52 Subsection (1)(a).

2. *Page 2, Line 57 through Page 3, Line 61:*

57 (b) create fire-adapted communities, ensuring that human populations and
58 infrastructure can withstand a wildfire without loss of life or property; ~~{and}~~
59 (c) improve wildfire response, ensuring that all political subdivisions can participate
 in
60 making and implementing safe, effective, and efficient risk-based wildfire management

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61 decisions {-} ; and
(d) reduce risks to wildlife, such as the greater sage grouse, which can be devastated by
wildfire.

Respectfully,

Scott K. Jenkins
Committee Chair

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