

Dear Representative Seaton:

As a farmer and stock grower, I support passage of SB6, Industrial Hemp. We would like to do trials on our cattle ranch for on-farm uses of the crop - to press oil out of the seed to make biodiesel, and to feed the resulting "cake" of pressed seed to our cattle.

Rudolph Diesel designed the diesel engine to run on seed oils. Hemp oil was on his list of suitable fuels, although he ran a diesel engine on peanut oil at the 1900 World's Fair. We currently spend thousands of dollars a year to buy diesel to run our farm tractors. It would be nice to grow our own fuel and be a little bit more self-sufficient.

Hemp cake is a high protein feed suitable for cattle and poultry. Growing more of our own feed would save us a lot of money that we currently spend on imported grains. Again, it would make us a little more self-sufficient.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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