

SB157 Bill Brief

- Bill provides equal protection for suppliers of pesticides, fertilizer and animal feed to liens provided for under SD law.
- Narrowly drafted to only extend lien to agricultural products improved by the supplies provided.
- Will ensure that ag supplies are available to producers who need them
- Facilitates the movement of crops-livestock to market.
- Legislation is similar to rights granted under PRESENT SD law to seed suppliers, threshers, agisters, and veterinarians.
- Public policy should protect ag suppliers who add value to crops-livestock as time passes. This is a fundamental part of existing law.
- SB157 is equal treatment, not special treatment
- No additional burden on markets - the liens will be part of the routine electronic UCC search done by commercial buyers.
- The lien is limited. It does not extend to real estate or crop-livestock not improved by ag supplies.
- ND, Minn, Iowa and Nebraska have similar ag supplier-input lien laws.