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To: All Interested Parties

From: Senator Danny Verdin, Committee Chairman

Subject: Notice of Public Input

During the next few weeks, hearings on <u>S. 468</u>, a bill that concerns industrial hemp and <u>H. 3531</u>, a bill dealing with possessing large wild cats, great apes and non-native bears will be scheduled. In recognition of the fact that there is much interest in these subjects, the Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee staff will receive public comment on both bills prior to the setting of dates for public hearings. This will allow for maximum public input on the legislation, which will also benefit subcommittee members, once appointed, in their consideration of the bills.

The period of comment will be open until March 5. Please send messages to sagricomm@scsenate.gov and put the bill number in the subject line of your message. The bills may be seen by opening the hyperlinks in the above paragraph.