



March 5, 2025

Chair O'Driscoll, Lead Her, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on HF 325, which seeks **to prohibit the sale of flavored nitrous oxide**. Minnesota Retailers recognizes the concerns surrounding the misuse and abuse of this product, and we support efforts to address these important issues.

At the same time, we want to ensure that any legislative action **does not inadvertently impact legitimate uses and sales** of nitrous oxide products. If this bill moves forward, we look forward to working closely with Rep. Engen to ensure a balanced approach that addresses public health concerns while protecting lawful businesses and consumers.

We are engaged with Sen. Duckworth, the author of the Senate companion bill, and we welcome the opportunity to collaborate with both chambers on refining this legislation. We appreciate the committee's attention to this issue and stand ready to assist in crafting a thoughtful, effective solution.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce Nustad", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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