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Attn: Senator LaMountain, Chair, Senate Judiciary and Committee Members

**Comment on S 2142**

An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government- Eminent Domain  
Before the Senate Judiciary Committee

Rhode Island Farm Bureau Federation is an independent, non-governmental grassroots organization made up of farmers and others with agricultural interests. Today our 1000 plus RIFB members are not only large farmers and small farmers but also include those engaged in agricultural industries, teachers of agriculture, and consumers.

We appreciate the Senator's attempt to provide language to address our concerns, however we are firmly opposed to Eminent Domain. American Farm Bureau Policy, supported by RIFB, states The American Farm Bureau opposes "The use of eminent domain for recreational purposes, open space, private economic development or expansion of the land holdings of wildlife agencies;" amongst other uses.

Thank you,

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