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Dear Dianne Bothfeld and House Agricultural Committee,

First off, thank for providing me with the opportunity to further my education, and better prepare me for my future in farming and agriculture. So far, my time at UVM has been very well. While some of the classes that I've taken have been tougher than others, I have found the transition from VTC, to UVM, to be surprisingly easier than I imagined. My first semester seemed to have more classes that were more specific to my major like animal welfare, farm-to-table, and dairy management seminar. This semester has been more science geared including organic chemistry, genetics, and biology 2. While the work load is feeling heavy at times, I am happy to push forward and grind for the betterment of my future in taking over my family's farm in Starksboro, VT. Lastly, I am sorry I could not attend today due to back to back classes during this time. I wish you all well during the meeting. Thank you for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Brandon