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TO: Washington Society of Professional Soil Scientists (WSPSS)  
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FROM: Pierre Bordenave, RPSS #054 and Board Chair of the  
National Society of Consulting Soil Scientists (NSCSS)

RE: **AN ACT Relating to licensing of soil scientists...**

The National Society of Consulting Soil Scientists represents Soil Scientist Business Owners throughout the United States and Canada. In the State of Washington, the NSCSS has 5 member business owners. An additional 5 business owners perform consulting services in the State of Washington.

The NSCSS maintains a national registry of professional consulting soil scientists (known as the Registry of Professional Soil Scientists – RPSS), which requires academic credentials, testing, experience, peer review, ethics training, and ongoing education.

NSCSS strongly supports licensing of the practice of soil science in Washington State. While NSCSS supports initiation and improvement of all state registration programs, we are particularly supportive of Washington State's proposal because of its emphasis on professionalism, and a structure that does not restrict of interstate commerce.

Cc: Rick Joslyn, NSCSS President  
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Phil Small, RPSS #06 and NSCSS Secretary