2021 Legislative Issues

Ag Land Taxation
- Continue implementation of the productivity-based system to ensure assessed valuations accurately reflect productivity.
- Encourage the completion of GIS mapping in counties and update data used in soil tables.

Health Care
- Take action to provide affordable, quality health coverage that is of value to Farm Bureau member families.

Infrastructure
- Continue to improve farm-to-market roads and bridges.
- Continue rail upgrades to improve service for shippers.

Oppose marijuana in the Constitution
- Remove the allowance of marijuana from the South Dakota Constitution.

Property Ownership Rights
- Continue focus on protecting the property rights of South Dakota farmers and ranchers.

Value-Added Agriculture
- Expand uses of agriculture products within the state.
- Improve the local zoning process to expand new and existing agriculture production opportunities in the state.
- Encourage education and training for workforce to support new and value-added agriculture opportunities for all ag products

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