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Testimony of Norman Dianda President, Q&D Construction In Support of S.B. 241 Assembly Committee on Judiciary May 8, 2003

Chairman Anderson and members of the committee. For the record, my name is Norman Dianda, and I am the President of Q&D Construction in Reno.

Q&D has been in business now in Northern Nevada for more than 39 years and we employ some 700 people. We have built some of Northern Nevada's most significant structures, and have a longstanding reputation of honesty and quality. We have done this by taking pride in our work, by being a part of our community, and by being responsible citizens who don't back away from a challenge.

In the past few years, I have noticed a significant increase in the times our company has been named in lawsuits. Many of these suits have nothing to do with my company, they are simply taking our reputation, that I and all of the hard working people of Q&D have built over the past 39 years, and dragging it through the mud.

Even as we grow, Nevada is still a state where reputation and word of mouth mean something. Being dragged into lawsuits to increase the ante for those who are not concerned with their reputations, and who are just passing through Nevada to make a buck, needs to stop.

The measures in S.B. 241 create a system that will cut down on unneeded litigation and get problems fixed. It is good legislation for honest people.

Please support homeowners, and the community-oriented, hard-working business-women and men of Nevada by supporting S.B. 241.

Thank you.

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ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY

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