



## Committee Minutes

**COMMITTEE:** Public Utilities  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Bill Seitz  
**DATE:** May 16, 2017  
**TIME:** 3:00 PM  
**ROOM:** Room 116

Chairman Seitz call the meeting of the House Public Utilities Committee to order at 3:01 PM.

The role was called, and a quorum present. The previous meeting's minutes were approved without objection.

Chairman Seitz called up HB 133 for its first hearing. Representative Scott Ryan offered sponsor testimony on HB 133. There were no questions from the committee.

Chairman Seitz called up HB 178 for its third hearing, all testimony.

Chairman Seitz called up Dr. Ned Hill, from Ohio State University. Dr. Hill offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Ilene Shapiro, Summit County Executive. Ms. Shapiro offered proponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Jamie Beier Grant, Director of the Ottawa County Improvement Corporation. Ms. Grant offered proponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Maria Korsnick, President of the Nuclear Energy Institute. Ms. Korsnick offered proponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Michael Shellenberger, President of Environmental Progress. Mr. Shellenberger offered interested party testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

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Chairman Seitz called up Greg Bechert, Partner at Scioto Energy. Mr. Bechert offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Mayor Arno Hill, Village of Lordstown. Mayor Hill offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Rebecca Clutter, Board Member of the National Association of Royalty Owners Appalachia Chapter. Ms. Clutter offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Nita Thomas, co-leader of the Western Hills Community Action. Ms. Thomas offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Harvey Wasserman. Due to travel Mr. Wasserman had to leave early and submitted his opponent testimony as written only.

Chairman Seitz called up Micah Derry, State Director of Americans for Prosperity. Mr. Derry offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Earl Goldhammer, Chairman of AARP Ohio. Mr. Goldhammer offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Pastor G.L. Evans II, Chairman of Stark County Concerned Pastors. Pastor Evans offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Robert White, President of Ohio State Grange. Mr. White offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz called up Patricia Marida, Chair of the Ohio Sierra Club Nuclear Free Committee. Ms. Marida offered opponent testimony on HB 178, and answered the committee's questions.

Chairman Seitz noted that all other testimony provided to the committee was written only, and the members should read it thoroughly.

With nothing remaining before the committee, Chairman Seitz adjourned the meeting at 6:02 PM.

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