

**Ohio House Energy and Natural Resources Committee  
House Bill 401  
Proponent Testimony  
November 19, 2019**

Chairman Vitale, Vice Chairman Kick, Ranking Member Denson and Members of the Committee, I write to express my support for House Bill 401 (Reineke Referendum).

Ohio communities continue to suffer from the imbalance in the siting of industrial wind projects. As a result of the current siting process, the citizens of Ohio's communities are left voiceless in the decision making. It is depressing that out of state companies and unaccountable Columbus bureaucrats think they know best when it comes to Ohio's communities. I find it highly inappropriate and undemocratic that at no time did I or others have the opportunity to express our opposition to the wind projects that are being forced into our communities. Every citizen should have an equal say in deciding what is best for their communities!

Please support House Bill 401 and allow the citizens of Ohio to decide what is best for their communities!

Sincerely,



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