

January 21, 2020

Attention Senator Steve Wilson, Chairman
Senate Energy and Public Utilities Committee

RE: SB234 and HB401,

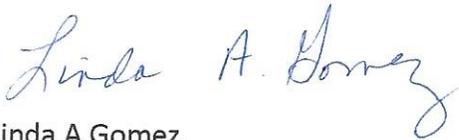
I'm writing this letter asking for approval of these two bills. These bills will allow local voters in individual townships a true vote on wind turbine projects which have been approved for their townships by the Ohio Power Siting Board. It is concerning to me that we as voters have been shut out on the final approval for this (these) wind turbine project(s).

I moved to this area from congested and noisy Detroit, Mi area two years ago to spend retirement years with my family in a peaceful, beautiful rural area of in this great state and nation. Now I find I may be staring out my window at a 600 plus foot wind turbine on the ridge very close to our house. That view would interfere with the glorious view I have the pleasure of looking at each day.

Again, I request you approve SB234 and HB401 and return the decision-making for the industrial wind turbine projects to the people at the local level.

Thanks to you in advance.

Sincerely,



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Ohio Senate Energy and Public Utilities Committee
Senate Bill 234
Proponent Testimony

Dear Chairman Wilson and Members of the Committee,

We write to ask for your support of Senate Bill 234. Every resident in a community deserves to have a voice in the process when it comes to the development and siting of industrial wind projects.

Industrial wind projects present dramatic changes for a community. The costs and benefits of industrial wind projects are heavily debated. Meanwhile, the current siting process in Ohio does not allow the residents in the local community the opportunity to assess a project and decide for themselves whether the benefits outweigh the costs. All of these decisions are instead made by individuals that neither reside in the community nor will have to contend with any of the impacts to the community.

The siting process for industrial wind projects does not include the citizens of the impacted community. Senate Bill 234 will improve the current siting process. Please support the citizens of Ohio's communities by supporting this important piece of legislation.

Thank You,

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My family and I moved out into the country for peace and quiet. On Strecker Rd. it's really more of a neighborhood despite living in a rural area.. Within one mile of 3 proposed wind turbines, are 42 houses. We worked hard to build our home and make improvements, The yard has transformed into an oasis for birds, butterflies and bees. It's beautiful. No one can explain to me why 655 ft. turbines with all the noise and night lights would be good. For Apex apparently, no one else.

Wind turbines are not good for a residential area anywhere in the world.

Wind turbines are not good for our home prices, despite what Apex may say.

Wind turbines are not good for peace of mind or for keeping a sane mind with all the noise.

Wind turbines are not good for our environment, our birds, our bats or for the increased chemicals that will be used on nearby farm fields.

Wind turbines are not good for the red flashing lights all night long.

Wind turbines are not good for our electric rates

Wind turbines are not good for our well established fragile karst covering most of the project area.

What part of being an American says that a company can come in and hurt what my family and I have built up without caring who they are hurting?

Apparently Apex and companies of the like. What do they care? They'll sell off the Emerson Wind Project like others to foreign investors who WILL NOT PAY TAXES! The foreign investor must think we are all stupid for allowing this.

PLEASE Do not let this wind project or any others to encroach on our civil rights. America does not need wind. We need honest solutions, not a loophole, taking advantage of the system.

Please give homeowner a vote to what will happen to our property and families. Support SB 234

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Dear Senator Wilson,

I am writing you today about the proposed wind farm in Erie County. My family and I moved to Oxford Township, just one mile south of the Ohio Turnpike. We are in the Perkins School District. The land was a wheat field, now transformed into a beautiful yard, made for playing, animals and attracting birds of every kind, especially song birds. This is the same for 41 neighbors that are potentially affected by only three turbines.

All of this is threatened by a proposed wind farm. I've passed the wind farms along I 80 in Iowa. They are staggering to see, reaching a height of 462 ft. The wind farm for the Emerson Creek Project reaches an astounding 665 ft. The tallest in the country, and in **a residential area**. We all can see the Davis Besse Towers from a boat out by Kelleys Island. The Emerson Creek Wind farm will have turbines 173 taller than Davis Besse. How can anyone that loves this county even think that's a good idea.

The taller the turbines, the longer the blade (224 ft long), the more damage it will do to our Eagle, Barn Owl, Hawk, Winter Swan, and Arctic Owl population. These birds don't reproduce at a fast rate. It's not like losing sparrows. Our beautiful shore lines rejoiced when our Eagle population grew. Now, all that is threatened again by companies that selfishly want to make money at our expense.

My family worked hard for our home, as I'm sure you did yours. Our home will devalue a minimum of 25%. Don't think that's possible? Would you want such an eye sore, a noise like a jet engine starting up, and a threat to you and your families health? I can go on and would love to. This is a proven fact across the globe.

Please don't entertain the thought of such a bad investment in our health, our homes, our wild life, our beauty.

Please support and pass SB234

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I realize that the Emerson Wind Project designed their maps using the Ohio Turnpike as a northern border. It is the cut off line for Waterfowl Hunting Zone Map. Obviously biologist must have created these migratory zones for a reason, perhaps for migratory bird flight patterns? So it seems a bit crazy that the proposed 655 ft. wind turbines are literally a few hundred yards away from this zone.

And how can any 655 ft. wind turbines be put up a 1.2 miles from an active eagles nest?

Did anyone inform the Eagles, The Arctic Owls, the Arctic Swan, Marsh Hawks, Ducks or dozens of other birds that it would be hazardous to their health to fly south of the Ohio Turnpike?

Please Do Not allow any turbines to be put up in Ohio. Iowans wish they had stopped the madness before it was too late.

Please support and pass SB 234.

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