

Senator Wilson

In support of SB234

January 18, 2020

My name is Sharon Schreiner. I am a resident of Groton Township in Erie county Ohio. My property is abutting the proposed Emerson creek wind farm.

My voice was taken away when the state of Ohio allowed industrial wind development to be exempt from local zoning.

I find it incomprehensible that a single industry had the power to manipulate the government of Ohio into changing local zoning laws without input from the residents involved. Local Zoning is designed specifically so the residents of an area have the right to say how their communities are to be developed.

I have heard arguments from the wind developers and the OPSB that we have a voice through our local trustees and commissioners. This is a fallacy because the trustees have no power and the commissioner decision making is limited to PILOT or no PILOT

The land owners that will reap the benefits of a wind project are a small percentage of the population. They report everyone is in favor of these projects. This is false. It's time to find out the true numbers by letting people have a vote.

Having a voice by having a vote is what it means to be an American. Removing the voice of the people by not allowing a vote, even at this level, is a slippery slope to disenfranchisement and marginalization of rural America.

I support the legislators that are sponsoring this legislation. These are true representatives and are doing the job they were elected to do: Representing the will of the people and they need to know what that will truly is.

Sharon Schreiner



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DEAR MR. WILSON,

I AM WRITING THIS LETTER TO YOU TO EXPRESS MY OPINION ON, AND SUPPORT OF SB 234. I CURRENTLY LIVE IN THE FOOTPRINT OF THE EMERSON CREEK PROJECT IN LYME TOWNSHIP, HURON COUNTY. MY HOME IS LESS THAN 1/2 MILE FROM PROPOSED TOWER T-39. MY HOME IS ALSO LESS THAN 1/2 (60 FEET) FROM THE ACCESS ROAD TO T-39. OTHER GROUPINGS OF PROPOSED WIND TURBINES OF 2 OR MORE ARE WITHIN 1 TO 2 1/2 MILES FROM MY HOME.

I FEEL THAT A RESIDENT WHO HAS LIVED IN THE AREA THEIR WHOLE LIVES SHOULD HAVE A SAY IN WHAT GOES ON IN AND AROUND THEIR HOMES. I THINK IT IS WRONG THAT PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER SET FOOT IN THIS TOWNSHIP / COUNTY CAN COME IN AND DICTATE WHAT SHOULD BE. THEY ARE THE PEOPLE WHO WON'T HAVE TO LOOK AT THESE MONSTROSITIES EVERY DAY FOR THE FOR SEVERABLE FUTURE.

I MOVED OUT OF BELLEVUE TO THE COUNTRY IN 2008. I MOVED OUT HERE TO ENJOY THE PEACE, ROOM AND VIEWS OF A RURAL SETTING. I LOVE IT OUT HERE. I DIDN'T MOVE OUT HERE TO LOOK AT 650 FOOT WIND TURBINES - NOT MANY PEOPLE DO I WOULD GUESS. THIS APPEARS TO BE SO BY THE NUMBER OF ANTI-WIND SIGNS THROUGHOUT THIS AREA IN PEOPLE'S FRONT YARD. THERE ARE ALOT OF THEM.

I THINK THESE TYPE OF WIND FARMS MAY BE FINE IN VERY REMOTE AREAS, BUT NOT WHERE THERE IS A RESIDENTS EVERY 1/4 MILE OR SO. HURON COUNTY / LYME TOWNSHIP IS NOT THE PLACE FOR THIS. THANK YOU.

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Dear Senator Wilson

I'm writing this letter in support of senate bill 234 to give the citizens of Ohio the right to vote on these projects that can have quite an impact on the community. It's the only fair way. Thank you!

Yours truly
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01/10/2020

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

The intent of this letter is to express how important I believe it is that residents everywhere have the opportunity to vote within our local townships, as outlined in SB 234, on whether industrial wind turbine should be installed and the regulations of their setbacks.

I have immersed myself in studying the pros and cons of these wind turbines and have easily concluded that I do not support them being here and feel violated to not have the opportunity to cast my vote on the subject.

From the simple pleasures of watching our natural sunsets and sunrises, which will be violated with turbines, to the nesting pair of bald eagles out back and bats controlling our insect population and knowing both are at threat, to the gross inefficiency of the turbines per supporting power generating evidence, I find the Emerson Creek Wind Project very inappropriate for our area. Especially when such a small percentage of local population will benefit yet all of us suffer from the plethora of consequences. Thus, leading to the importance of allowing the local people to vote.

My wife and I are raising our six children here in rural Ohio. I work locally in EMS/Fire and local tree service, have deep family roots, and we chose our country home in 2012 unaware of the lurking wind industries plan to violate all of what makes country life what it is. I encourage those who have the opportunity, to please act on our behalf and give us the chance to speak for ourselves in our townships so we may preserve the beauty and safety of our property and families.

Sincerely,



Daniel Phillips

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01/10/2020

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

I am writing you today to express my support of SB 234.

As a homemaker, wife, and mother of six it causes me much grief when considering I may be soon living and raising my family in the midst of an industrial wind farm. What we have isn't much, but we work hard for it and have dreams of grandchildren playing outback someday but fear we may have to leave these memories behind rather than live under the wind farm and its multitude of associated risks and ecological hazards.

Please consider moving SB 234 in our favor and allow us the opportunity to speak for ourselves and all townships can vote on this matter.

Sincerely,



Amanda Phillips