

ENERGY AND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Witness Form

Today's Date: 2/11/2020

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Organization Representing: Self

Testifying on Bill Number: S.B. 234

Testimony: Verbal Written Both

Testifying As: Proponent Opponent Interested Party

Are you a Registered Lobbyist? Yes No

Special Requests: None

Written testimony is a public record and may be posted on the Ohio Senate's website

TESTIMONY:

I wish to testify in opposition to S.B. 234, as it would unfairly single out wind power as the only energy technology subject to local referenda. This is highly unjust and illogical, as wind power does not result in any pollution that harms human health, whereas fossil fuel energy sources such as coal- and natural gas-fired power plants do cause harm to human health but are nevertheless exempt from being subject to local referenda.

Ohio already lags neighboring states such as Indiana, Michigan and Illinois in wind power generation, and S.B. 234 would serve to make our state even less competitive in this key energy source of the future.

Finally, as increased uptake of wind power and other sources of renewable, non-carbon-based electricity is essential to combating the climate chaos that our state and the larger world are already witnessing, any ill-founded obstacle to wind power uptake like S.B.234 is indefensible and counter to the interests of Ohioans.

Please oppose S.B.234 for the short-sighted bill that it is.

Sincerely,
Glenn R. Campbell

