

Written testimony:

I oppose SB 33. This is one of the most Anti-American bills that ALEC has proposed. The tactics your leadership is promoting of limiting opponent testimony is unfair and unprecedented. This anti-protest bill strikes at the heart of what our soldiers over the years have DIED for- our basic constitutional rights, including peaceful protest.

This is a bill designed to protect our oil and gas industry from the inconvenience of citizens exercising their right to protest the damaging effects of this industry, with vague language ie causing "another person to believe that the offender will cause physical harm to him that person". This could apply to almost any situation. There are already laws on the books regarding trespassing. This is a clear blatant attempt to intimidate individuals and organizations away from one of the biggest reasons our nation was founded- individual freedom of speech and right to protest.

This legislation should be withdrawn, so as not to have our state burdened with it eventually being found unconstitutional and the costly legal defense of a failed attempt to silence those who would point out the damaging effects of this industry.