

Testimony about SB 33: Modify criminal and civil law for critical infrastructure damage
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From my understanding this bill is unnecessary, probably unconstitutional and a step backwards with regards to civil discourse in our state.

I think it is unnecessary as there are existing laws that cover damages to infrastructure. This law seems to be designed to intimidate lawful protest by making special laws with regard to infrastructure.

I think it compromises our constitutional rights to free speech and association by citizens and further compromises private landowners rights to access and invite others to their own land, It plays to big monied interests who are seeking eminent domain for their own profits. Our laws should be for all not focused on special commercial interests.

We need to be having discussion about the environmental issues that are stimulated by local environmental groups. This law can potentially threaten such organizations with fines for activities that individuals conduct. This type of organizational intimidation is inimical to public discussion of these issues.

Thanks for taking these thoughts into consideration as you deliberate on this law.