

March 20, 2021

Senator Bob Peterson, Chair
Energy and Public Utilities Committee
The Ohio Senate
1 Capitol Square
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Peterson,

My name is John Stockmeister and I am a rural resident and farmer in Seneca County, Ohio. I write today to express opposition to Senate Bill 52 and House Bill 118.

When my family bought property here in Seneca County many generations ago, I never thought that others would be so concerned with what I do with it. Senate Bill 234 would completely take that right away from me; I don't feel that others who live in my township should be entitled to tell me what I can or cannot do on the property in my name, and legally mine, especially after it goes through a legal permitting process enforced by the state. I hope the people voting on this bill consider the opinions of the long-time property owners.

Respectfully,

John Stockmeister

cc: Members of the Ohio Senate Energy and Public Utilities Committee