

PROPONENT TESTIMONY

Sub. SB 52

Alexandria Caster (Auglaize County)

May 19, 2021

Chairman McColley, Vice Chair Schuring, Ranking Member Williams and members of the Committee. My name is Alexandria Caster and I reside in Auglaize County. I support Sub. Senate Bill 52 and would like to share my reasons why I support the passage of this bill.

Several a joining states have some form of local control for governing of industrial wind/solar developments. I support this bill as it will return control back to Ohio townships. The right to manage the land use in a manner that the majority of the residents want. This proposed bill is a reasonable and fair process for all.

Residents and businesses other than wind and solar in this case have had to comply with local zoning. Wind and solar do not. I live close to the Hardin county wind project, when purchasing our house the main focus was the vast land you can see for miles. Due to the Wind Turbines that view has been obstructed. The flickering lights in the evening and night hours is quiet distracting. We choose to live in a rural/agricultural area to get away from obstructions, noise and enjoy the scenery.

I am asking you to support this bill

Thank you,

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