

I am submitting my written testimony as an Ohioan concerned about public health. I am writing in strong opposition to the state public lands leasing amendment found in Sub. HB 110 (Sections 115.30 through 155.36).

This amendment will create a large-scale attack on public health.

It wrongly sacrifices reserved public lands for financial gain, and then breaks promises to Ohio taxpayers by directing all leasing revenues back into more oil and gas industry development, instead of reinvesting those revenues into our state parks, forests, and wildlife areas.

Why do you want to destroy Ohio's beautiful land and natural reserves? These areas must remain reserved, not exploited.

Ohioans deserve better than you are facilitating for us. We deserve clean air and safety in our public lands.

I strongly urge rejection of the state lands leasing amendment found in Sub. HB 110.

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