

**To:** Ohio House Natural Resources Committee

**From:** John C. Anderson, 6025 Nicholas Glen, Columbus, OH 43213

**Re:** Senate Bill 219

Chair Blasdel, Vice Chair Fischer, Ranking Member Rogers, and Members of the House Natural Resources Committee,

Please note my opposition to Senate Bill 219. I believe this bill would accelerate the mining and extraction of fossil fuels in Ohio. This mining and extraction has harmful environmental effects, including the production of methane gas (which has a powerful greenhouse gas effect) and the excessive use of fresh water to name just a couple.

In addition, the bill exposes our state parks and wildlife areas to extraction operations which is in direct opposition to the purpose of our state parks – to preserve and protect our environment.

We should be promoting the use of renewable resources such as solar and wind, not making it easier to extract fossil fuels.

--John C. Anderson