

Thank you for the opportunity to testify regarding HB646.

I most certainly agree that additional regulations needs to be established for data centers so I support the creation of a commission to develop these.

Here are key elements I believe need to be included:

- An emergency moratorium should be declared on approval of new data centers until new requirements are established.
- The use of Non Disclosure Agreements should not be allowed for any public entities.
- Due to the significantly increases resource requirements of data centers, any approval should require that the data center completely provides its own power, water, and other resource requirements.
- Non-renewal (solar, wind,etc) methods should be utilized for power requirements in order to satsify power requirements. These are more environmentally friendly than other methods.
- Data centers should not be allowed in close proximitty to residential areas, schools, and other sensive locations.
- Residents need to be able to approve or reject these. The state budget included provisions to increase the signature requirements for Referendums and Initiative Petitions to 35%. These increases are likely unconstitutional due to violation of the single subject provisions of the Ohio Constitution. The signatures on local citizen initiated petitions have nothing to do with the state budget. The signature requirements should be restored to 15% fort Referendum petitions and 10% for Initiative Petitions.

Thank you,

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