

Testimony of Keith Didion
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In support of SB-52
Ohio Senate Energy and Public Utilities Committee
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Chairman Peterson, Vice Chair Schuring, ranking member Williams, members of the committee, I write as a proponent of SB-52.

My fiancée and I just purchased a house in Seneca County, and once we heard of the plans of wind turbines to be put up around our house we knew we had to take action to not allow this to happen. We are looking forward to raising a family here in Seneca County and could not imagine these things across from our property.

For it not to be considered to be a local vote by the citizens who this will directly affect, would be absurd. Like I mentioned above we just purchased our property back in September of 2020. At this time of the year it was definitely a seller's market, and we paid a decent amount of money to live where we live. I guess my question would be, who will be covering the money lost on the depreciation value of our property when these turbines are put up? If we were aware of all of this before we purchased the land we would of definitely thought twice about making the move out there. With these turbines being put up in Seneca county (which is mainly an agricultural area) would devastate farms and people's livelihoods. This would turn it into a 180 degree turn from agricultural to an industrial nature.

I would like to ask the Legislators to put themselves in our shoes. One time. Do they really think us local citizens should not have a say with what is best for our community?

At the end of the day we are the ones who will be in the 'danger zone' with these things whipping around our families, friends, and homes. Let us be the deciding factor whether these should be in OUR community.

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