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Representative Nino Vitale, Chair Energy and Natural Resources Committee The Ohio House of Representatives 77 South High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Vitale,

I am writing in reference to HB-401. This legislation is destined to limit the property rights of land owners. Proponents of this bill have forgotten they are living in the United States of America. HB-401 crosses the line; can a law placing limits on how a farmer chooses to use his land be constitutional? Ohio HAS APPROVED wind projects. It appears that our 'No Wind' friends are trying to put the cart in front of the horse on this one.

There are rules in place concerning the placement of wind turbines; distance from housing and between units: etc. Technology has given us the ability to capture renewable energy sources; we should have the unencumbered option to make them part of our 21st century inventory.

Sincerely, Paul Matz

cc: Members of the Ohio House Energy and Natural Resources Committee Representative Bill Reineke