

HB401- House Energy and Natural Resources Committee

Senator Steve Willson, Chairman, Senate Energy and Public Utilities Committee, my name is Jena Aichholz. I am writing this short letter in support of SB 234 which would allow a referendum in affected townships on large wind farms.

Our home and family's safety is the most important things in the world to me. These proposed wind turbine projects will put both of these things at severe risk. This is all while not giving us any official voice in the process. The current system in Ohio affords my family little to no say and only a spot in the process by spending thousands of dollars on expensive legal counsel. The Ohio Power Siting Board are not members of our community and therefore they have NO RIGHT to decide the future of our community. SB 234 gives back the power to local people to decide what is best for their communities.

I again ask you to support SB 234 and help thousands of people in the process. You truly can make a difference and ensure we are afforded a voice. Forcing a project on a community creates long lasting devastating effects. If a township electorate is allowed to vote on a project, there is a better chance for community acceptance.



Thank You

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