

Please listen to the citizens of Ohio and repeal House Bill 6. HB 6 is a sham and a disgrace. HB 6 only passed through the actions of crooked politicians who were bribed and bought off by FirstEnergy. I hope they all receive just punishment and serve time in jail. No such "law" should be allowed to stand.

The fact that our elected representatives have refused to allow public testimony on legislation to repeal HB 6 is also a disgrace. This is the crux of what is wrong with our political system. Special interests buy off our political leaders, who become beholden to those who provide them the funds to get elected. This is another big problem that needs to be fixed. Who do you represent and work for? The people of Ohio or the fossil fuel and nuclear industries? You need to listen to the people who voted you into office to represent us. You need to hear our voices and get our feedback on this issue. We are not happy with your behavior.

Climate change is real and is threatening all life on our planet. It is a crisis. NASA scientists have led the way in teaching us why it is happening and what we need to do to stop it. You can find this information on their website <https://climate.nasa.gov>. They are very well-educated people who have no political agenda. They have concluded that "Scientific evidence for warming of the climate system is unequivocal." "The current warming trend is of particular significance because most of it is extremely likely (greater than 95% probability) to be the result of human activity since the mid-20th century and proceeding at a rate that is unprecedented over decades to millennia."

To stop climate change and the destruction of the planet and all life on it we need to stop burning fossil fuels. We need to shift our focus on maximizing our use solar, wind and geothermal energy. To do this we need to not only restore the funding for the efficiency and clean energy programs that was stripped away by HB 6 but make it more robust. These programs were saving us money and will save us even more money the more we invest in them. It will create healthy new jobs for many Ohioans. It will eliminate the risk for the environmental catastrophes and health hazards associated with the mining, refinement, transportation and burning of fossil fuels and uranium. It will enable us to mitigate and reverse the adverse effects burning fossil fuels have on the health of our planet and the creatures living on it. It will give us the best chance to leave the world a better place than it is now to our children, their children and to future generations.

Coal, oil and natural gas are limited natural resources. Nuclear energy is inherently very dangerous. We don't need them. We don't want them. Imagine a world where every home and business have solar panels generating most if not all of the electricity needed, with battery packs storing unused energy generated during daylight hours. Where the air we breathe and the water we drink is clean, pure and safe. Where there is no coal ash we need to dispose of. Where there are no oil spills contaminating our water ways, oceans and lands. Where mountains and forests are left intact for all to enjoy. It's not a pipe dream. It's a reality we can make happen.

Think about this for a minute. The earth gets more solar energy in one hour than the entire world uses in a year, and it's free. <https://www.freeingenergy.com/the-earth-gets-more-solar-energy-in-one-hour-than-the-entire-world-uses-in-a-year/>. We just need to do a better job of tapping into it.

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