

**Testimony of Frank and Kathi Culleney  
Seneca County, Ohio  
In support of HB-118  
Ohio House Public Utilities Committee  
March 9, 2021**

Chairman Hoops, Vice Chair Ray, ranking member Smith, members of the committee, we write as proponents of HB-118.

We strongly support any legislative initiative which gives the residents of a community a say in massive and transforming industrial wind and solar projects in their community. We chose our residence in Attica Ohio because of its rural and peaceful nature.

In our opinion, rural Ohio suffers from a long term loss of good paying jobs and young and ambitious people. Industrial sized wind turbines will only add to the already large disincentives for making rural Ohio a home and a place to grow a business. The current residents should be able to determine if they want to work towards further developing a thriving economy based on small and medium sized businesses or if they want to turn the land over to outside investors with no interest in the ongoing character of the community.

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