I am submitting testimony to oppose House Bill 1258., the proposed energy corridor. I am a land owner in Edgeley, ND.

JETx wants to provide energy to investor owned data centers, not the local community. They want to pay the land owners a small amount for taking their land and giving themselves the opportunity to make millions (billions).

This bill takes away local control and gives big corporations the power to override local governance. It disregards current local decisions.

If this bill is passed, the state of ND is sponsoring corporate taking private property. We need landowners to continue providing our country with food. Why take premium farmland when there is land that is not producing?

Let people who live in the area, determine the future of their community by retaining local control.

Please oppose HB1258.

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