

Chairman and Members of the Committee,

I strongly urge you to oppose HB 1258. This bill poses a significant threat to the rights of landowners. Decisions regarding zoning and land-use ordinances are best made at the local level by those who are directly impacted and have a vested interest in the outcomes.

Allowing energy companies to override the wishes of landowners in order to advance their projects in favor of corporate interests represents a grave misuse of legislative power. This prioritization of corporate agendas over the rights of North Dakota landowners is unjust.

Please consider the long-term consequences of this legislation and stand with landowners to protect their rights.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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