

Greetings Chairman Porter and members of the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee,

I am Zachary Cassidy with Dakota Resource Council, writing today to submit our opposition to HB 1062. This bill would create unreasonable restrictions on the ability of public utilities to govern themselves. Specifically, the bill would restrict utilities that want to create different pay rates for projects like data centers. If these data centers are going to be built in our state, which causes local residents to see their energy bills rise, they can pay a rate that the local utility finds fair.

For this reason, DRC stands opposed to this bill. Thank you for your time.