

HB 1292

House Energy and Natural Resources

I am in support of HB 1292

Chairman Porter and Committee Members, I am in support of HB 1292 to remove carbon dioxide pipelines from the legal definition and regulatory requirements of common pipeline carriers in North Dakota.

As argued by the attorney representing the landowners in the case before the South Dakota Supreme Court, Summit is a “private, for-profit carrier. Carbon Capture Storage companies are not common carriers. They do not provide commodities for purchase by the general public, nor do they serve a valid public purpose—even under the broad, modern, and extremely flawed interpretation of the constitutional basis for eminent domain. Sequestered carbon dioxide has no productive use, and as such, can provide no public benefit. Summit and other Carbon Capture Storage companies are simply taking advantage of the massive financial incentives available to them. Carbon capture and storage projects are nothing more than an opportunistic scheme to make vast sums of money from a problem that arguably does not exist. And, like most other green-energy policies, the solutions to this “problem” entail stripping Americans of their fundamental rights.

I Strongly Urge a Do Pass on HB 1292

Thank You, Gordon Greenstein

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