

House Energy and Natural Resources

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Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I apologize I could not be at the hearing in person. So, thank you for allowing me to submit my testimony in support of HB 1292.

Carbon dioxide should never have been added as a common carrier for pipelines, because it doesn't benefit the general public. The only ones that stand to benefit are those that are invested in the operation and no one else. When it comes to oil or gas, for example, the wider general public does benefit, because they get to use it those products. However, the products of carbon dioxide pipelines can't be used by the general public like other pipelines.

This really does not fit the characteristics of a public common carrier and is really a private carrier. The landowners should not live under the threat of eminent domain for this. This needs to be corrected and made right going forward by recognizing and protecting our property rights. Please recommend a do pass on HB 1292. Thank you.