

I urge the legislature to pass this common sense legislation, to help prevent chronic polluters from simply moving operations from one location to another in order to skirt environmental regulations.

Without this legislation, DEQ is in the business of actually harboring chronic polluters.

Without this legislation, poor and underserved neighborhoods like St. John's, where I live, fall victim to chronic polluters like NW Metals. The new NW Metals facility is very close to all of St Johns' schools and a dense population of residents who are already subjected to much of the worst air pollution and many of the worst environmental dangers in the city.

Without this legislation, there can be no environmental justice for poor and underserved communities like mine.