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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure: HB3152

I urge you to vote no on HB 3152.

This bill will harm low-income families by eliminating the type of energy they want to use. It will cause energy affordability inequities which are more pronounced in Native American, Black and Hispanic households who pay a much higher portion of their income for energy. This will affect peoples' options to choose the type of energy they want to use and force people to use the more expensive and unreliable, 'sustainable' forms of energy.

This is the first salvo in the attack on the use of natural gas which will take down the low income as collateral damage.

Natural gas is clean, cheap and reliable. Solar works when the sun shines and windmills work when it is windy. You cannot store it. It is expensive and unreliable.

Look at what happened in Texas a couple of years ago during a cold spell. Their grid, highly dependable on wind and solar failed and was out for several days.

If gas is so bad, why did the state spend over \$300,000 to make energy upgrades to the Governor's mansion, Mahonia Hall? It is a massive natural gas generator to use in case of an electrical blackout. Apparently a propane generator as a third energy back-up was also installed. It sounds like the state is not very confident in its reliance of "sustainable" green energy. Is this a case of "do as I say, not as I do"?

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