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I'm in support of SB 1187. I grew as a child in Youngstown, OH. The main industry was the production of steel. Unfortunately, one of the biproducts in that production was the killing of all living organisms in our local river streams. From that time in the 1970s, rose the establishment of the National Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Much has been accomplished by the EPA over those following years, but much yet still needs to be resolved. The hardest nut to crack will be the fossil fuel industry since we have been so reliant on gas for our vehicles, but over the long run that can also be overcome with the development of new technologies. Current industries who today still pollute our environment should be held accountable for their respective violations of EPA and DEQ environment standards.

Thanks for listening - Gary Sumrak