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From: Keenan, John - Rep. (HOU)
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From: Jane Pinsley [<mailto:eapinsley@aol.com>]
Sent: Monday, December 02, 2013 4:30 PM
To: Keenan, John - Rep. (HOU)
Subject: RE: H. 2980 (WESRA)

Dear Rep. Keenan,

H. 2980 (WESRA) is bad legislation. It should not be enacted. It takes sovereign power away from the people and vests it in small appointed partisan groups. This sacrifices the greater good for the specialized interests. It gives unprecedented power to wind developers, the 1/2 of 1%, many of whom are not even U.S. companies.

Wind turbines are causing significant health problems worldwide. They kill birds. They discourage tourism, a significant source of income in the MA economy. They decrease property values dramatically, resulting in personal loss as well as shrinkage in grand lists. Wind is not green -- fossil fuel is required to fill in and even the output of turbines. Wind is not cheap -- solar is now out-competing it in some places. Worst of all, the controversial to negative effects of wind turbines is bitterly dividing towns where they appear.

This legislation benefits only the wind industry -- the 1/2 of 1%. People are feeling angry with the sense of disparity in wealth distribution, and the loss of personal control that this represents, and this legislation only adds to that sense of loss. It should be noted that one of the first ways people express this anger is to vote out incumbents, particularly those favoring big industry.

Sincerely,
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