

PUBLIC COMMENTS

HB 2275

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS

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Wes Pitts

Landowner on Onion Creek which provides the majority of recharge to Barton Springs

Driftwood, TX

HB 4146 by King preventing sewer water discharges into Texas' crystal clear rocky creeks and streams needs to be a critical Win for Texas! Warning - Home builders will send cronies that say landowners and stakeholders want the benefit but don't want these discharges in their backyards. That's a load of crap, all of these municipalities have the tax resources to acquire land for land application, build storage ponds to handle balancing, and commit to beneficial reuse WITHOUT having to discharge this sewer water into our pristine creeks and streams. Why they say they can't, "oh it costs more!" Please get behind Rep. Tracy King and let's help protect Texas' with bringing HB 4146 across the goal line. Sincerely, Wes Pitts

Mike Viesca, Executive Vice President, Public Affairs

Pedernales Electric Cooperative

Johnson City, TX

PEC is for the bill.

Dee Chambless

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Bullard, TX

There are three reasons I oppose this bill:

#1 If Texas is going to receive billions of dollars Federal Assistance, why spend another billion of our own? Plus we already have other dollars apportioned for infrastructure.

#2 Zwiener's misunderstanding of how smart meters work to divert electricity to individual homes causes concern about her overall understanding of what she is proposing.

#3 In no case should an Investor Owned Utility ("IOUs") receive public grants or funding. They are FOR PROFIT organizations! IOUs are highly incentivized to avoid interruptions because they make zero money when they are not supplying power. Let them work to figure it out and don't just give them dollars when they ultimately are FOR PROFIT entities.

For those three reasons I strongly oppose this bill.