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Honorable Chairman and members of the Energy and Technology Committee,
I am here to speak to you regarding **Raised Bill No. 6604.**

Page 1, line 6 – What does *quality* mean? Video, signal, audio quality? It cannot mean quality of content because that would involve censoring.

Page 2, lines 21-23 – What “other appointing authority”?

Page 2, lines 30-31 – This is a direct conflict of interest. If this bill passes I will immediately ask my Mayor to be appointed to the Advisory Council and have voting rights. It would be ridiculous for an access employee or the company that manages it to have a voting right on their Advisory Council.

Page 2, lines 37-38 – “A company issued a certificate of cable franchise authority shall twice a year, convene with the advisory council” – Is this in addition to the bi-monthly advisory council meetings that are already scheduled? If so, what is the purpose of the two extra meetings? Is the permit holder for community access included in this meeting or is it exclusively for the advisory council and cable company? If it is exclusive, why?

Page 3, lines 67-70 – Reiterating my comments on Page 2, lines 30-31, direct conflict of interest.

Page 3, lines 72-74 – It is my understanding that there is only ONE entity that receives the permit from the DPUC to manage community access in a franchise area.

Page 8, line 237 – What is the meaning of “channel”?

Respectfully submitted,

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President

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