

Sen. Meyer, Rep. Gentile, and members of the Environment Committee:

Please accept this as my formal written testimony in support of SB 237- An Act Prohibiting the Storage and Disposal of Fracking Waste in Connecticut and HB 5308- An Act Regulating Fracking Waste.

Hazardous waste from out-of-state fracking operations can include hazardous chemicals, including several known carcinogens, as well as radioactive materials that are linked to bone, liver and breast cancer. Absent state action, toxic fracking waste from out-of-state drilling operations could potentially be trucked through our communities, sent to our sewage treatment plants, and even spread on our roads.

I respectfully urge the CGA Environment Committee to protect our state's water resources and public health by passing legislation prohibiting the disposal of hazardous fracking waste in Connecticut.

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