

Written Testimony of Shannon Clarkson
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Written Testimony Concerning Senate Bill 237 AN ACT PROHIBITING THE STORAGE OR DISPOSAL OF FRACKING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT.

Thank you so much to the committee for enabling those of us who cannot attend the meeting on Friday, Feb. 28th the chance still to express our views.

As a person of faith and a pastor for 36 years, I have strong feelings about how we care for our earthly home. Humans have inhabited the earth for thousands of years and hopefully that will continue. However, if we pollute our environment, we are possibly destroying the future of life here as we know it.

I do not approve of fracking as I think aquifers may be contaminated by the waste material and I have read numerous reports about earthquakes in the areas where fracking is permitted. Nor do I want Connecticut to be the repository for possibly dangerous radioactive material or the place where suspicious toxic waste can be disposed. In fact, no state should be such a repository as the fracking process itself is too fraught with ecological and environmental problems.

Consequently, I wholeheartedly support Senate Bill 237 AN ACT PROHIBITING THE STORAGE OR DISPOSAL OF FRACKING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT.

Thank you,

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