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Testimony to Kansas House Water & Environment Committee  
House Bill 2641

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Chairman Sloan, Vice Chairman Rahjes, Ranking Minority Member Ponca-We Victors and members of the committee.

I am providing this testimony to express my opposition to HB2641. The bill falsely claims that all seismic activity is caused by injection wells when in reality, seismic activity has occurred in Kansas for millions of years before the oil and gas industry was here. *This bill is driven by political agendas instead of scientific facts.*

The KCC has done a great job in regulating disposal wells in recent years. Other states like Oklahoma and Texas have followed their lead because of the success of their regulations. The results are indisputable. *Felt earthquake activity has dropped 65% in 2017.* The KGS and KCC have the resources to monitor and regulate disposal wells without further legislation.

Additional regulations will hurt the oil and gas industry in Kansas and result in *decreased production and tax revenue without decreasing earthquakes.*

I hope you consider this during the committee meeting on Thursday and *vote down this bill.* Failure to do so will only hurt family owned businesses in our state.

Regards,

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