

Petition to Support Bill 150, Energy Referendum Act, 2015

To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

WHEREAS, the *Green Energy Act*, 2009 has been a major contributor in recent years to the skyrocketing and unsustainable increases in hydro bills and has created an environment where large-scale renewable energy projects are becoming more prominent in all areas of the province;

WHEREAS, these large-scale renewable energy projects can have significant impact on property values, tourism, wildlife populations, and the very landscape in the communities where they exist;

WHEREAS, there have been instances where local municipal councils have allowed large-scale renewable energy projects into their communities against the popular will of residents; and

WHEREAS, local residents will be the ones who are most impacted as a result of large-scale renewable energy projects being developed in their communities and hence should be the ones who have the final say regarding the issue;

THEREFORE, we the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows: that members of the Legislative Assembly vote to support MPP John Yakabuski's Private Member's Bill, Bill 150 *Energy Referendum Act*, 2015, which would mandate that local municipalities hold a referendum before large-scale renewable energy projects are approved so that residents are the ones who decide if these projects will go forward.

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