



Stop Job Killing Mandates and Protect Ohio Businesses

VOTE NO ON HB 235

Our country's position as a global energy leader is at a turning point.

President Biden cancelled the Keystone XL pipeline on his first day in office.

He's asked foreign governments to increase energy supplies while restricting and discouraging new investments in American made energy.

Now more than ever, the right policies are needed to reestablish our nation's energy leadership, stability, and security.

And yet, some legislators in Columbus want to follow the president's lead by placing restrictive policies on Ohio's petroleum refineries by passing House Bill 235.

This bill endangers the safety of workers and our communities, jeopardizes the competitiveness of one of our state's most important industries, and threatens access to abundant, affordable Ohio-made energy.

But the issues at hand are much larger.

House Bill 235 targets the hiring practices of private businesses with excessive and burdensome mandates. Today, Ohio's refineries are being targeted, but the precedent established by this bill could open the door for additional government intervention and set a chilling precedent for all Ohio businesses.

Instead of getting ahead, our state could fall far behind.

On behalf of the member companies and individuals represented by our associations and organizations, including the refiners that will be the first to suffer the consequences of this bill and the thousands of Ohioans they employ, we ask that House Bill 235 be tabled for any further consideration and that you vote NO should the issue come before you for a vote. Thank you in advance for protecting Ohio businesses by stopping this misguided bill.

Sincerely,

Americans for Prosperity-Ohio

American Petroleum Institute-Ohio

Associated Builders and Contractors-Ohio

Cenovus Energy

Ohio Business Roundtable

Ohio Chemistry and Technology Council

Ohio Chamber of Commerce

Ohio Energy and Convenience Association

Ohio Manufacturers' Association

Ohio Oil and Gas Association

NFIB-Ohio

Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce