

House Committee on Energy and Environment

Chair Representative Ken Helm and members of the committee,

I strongly oppose SB 3A as an attack on this States Miners for no good reason as prior to this insane Moratorium, Miners did not harm the environment or were any threat to fish, it has been proven over and over that there is no conflict, but due to Environmental NGO pressure, our legislators have caved.

This bill does nothing to remove the moratorium but imposes fee increases and the DEQ has listed all the upper reach streams as "impaired" which in effect will deny any permits!

Lift the Moritum without any added restrictions,

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