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House Energy Committee Clerk:

I will not be able to attend the morning hearing tomorrow but want to file a brief statement of my experience with a shutoff I believe to have been illegal.

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(sent from my hard wired internet connection)

**Statement of David Sheldon of Oak Park, MI
Concerning Improper Electric Shutoff
For January 16th 2018 Hearing on Improper Shutoffs**

January 15th, 2018:

On August 28th 2015 electric power to the Oak Park home I share with Joan Friedman was cutoff at the pole by DTE workers who also took the drop wires to the house.

We have been without grid power ever since, a total of 2 years plus 4 months. We have had to provide our own electricity since that day by purchasing a generator and batteries.

At the time we were cutoff our electric bill was not in arrears. While we had always provided DTE access to the electric meter for meter reading and other routine purposes, we had refused access for the purpose of replacing the analog meter with an AMI meter. We did so under conviction that either the regular AMI meter or that same meter with radio turned off amounted to a trespass on our home because of the harmful effects of either meter, and because such equipment was obviously not needed in order for a monopoly to provide us electric power.

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