

## Eddie Sleeper

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**To:** Eddie Sleeper  
**Subject:** Testimony For January 30 Energy Committee Hearing!

Dear Committee Members,

I was bludgeoned into accepting an electronic meter over two years ago. I was told that it was "inevitable" (something like death, which it has been).

The day after the meter was installed, my virtually new microwave oven caught fire. The next day my equally new sump pump quit working.

(I noticed that the power cord was MUCH hotter than it had ever been in the past. And no! This has never, ever, happened before.) I also noticed that radio and over the air television signals were affected. I can not receive the signals that I once did.

I complained to DTE. They have shrugged, and denied responsibility.

By downloading the DTE "app," the company claims that their "Smart Meters" can help customers know how much electricity they are using.

Do you need an "app" to tell you that your night light uses less electricity than your refrigerator? I don't.

DTE has stolen from me.

They have destroyed electrical equipment and have not compensated me.

They have stolen my ability to access information.

They are also probably stealing my health.

I have never stolen from them.

All I ask (and many of those before your hearing) is the ability to retain, or to have our old ANALOG meter's returned. DTE will continue to get paid.

Public utilities are chartered to "sell" energy. Nothing more.

They are certainly not chartered to look in on you, and steal your property and your health.

Unless, you plan to continue to give them permission.

I sincerely hope not.

Your frustrated constituent,

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