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Senator Arlan B. Meekhof
Michigan State Senate
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Representative Jim Lilly
Michigan House of Representative.
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Lansing, MI 48909

RE: Senate Bill 637

Sent via email

Dear Senator Meekhof and Representative Lilly:

At their meeting on Monday, October 1, 2018, the Ferrysburg City Council discussed Senate Bill 637.

The Bill Analysis as prepared by the Senate Fiscal Agency, dated May 3, 2018, states "Many people believe that small cell wireless technology is one solution to improving mobile service..." and "...small cells have a range of only 10 meters to a few kilometers..."


The Bill Analysis further states "...it has been suggested that State create a regulatory framework for small cell deployment that would establish a uniform permitting process for wireless providers..."


On behalf of the Ferrysburg City Council, this letter is to oppose the loss of local control with Senate Bill 637.

Also, if the range of these small cells is only 10 meters, over 1,600 small cells may need to be installed to cover one (1) mile. The amount of wireless radiation transmitted from a large number of small cells enhances concern the small cell communication telecommunication facilities will be a risk to citizens health.

We respectfully request you review and take into consideration the above concerns when discussing SB 637.

Sincerely,
CITY OF FERRYSBURG


Craig Bessinger
City Manager


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c: Ferrysburg City Council
Debbie Wierenga, City Clerk