

House Bill #2610

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Chairmen Adam Smith and committee members,

Thank you for taking the time to allow me to speak with you all

I'm going at this a little different this year.

Are there any veterans here on the committee?

Are there any Vietnam Veterans here on the committee?

Well I won't know the answer to that question until we meet again.

I am a Vietnam Veteran and I served my country proudly in Vietnam.

Have you ever slept in a hole for 3 plus months 3 or 4 miles from the DMZ?

Surrounded by three other guys on army cots, with mosquito netting all around you, so the mosquitos won't eat you alive, you try not to move while sleeping because if you get next to the edge, they will get you. Not much margin for error, army cots aren't queen size!

But in the army's defense- they give you malaria pills so you don't get malaria, The great side effect is you go like a goose and get to go outside anyway. Did I mention that all the time we were out there with no electricity? No modern anything- you had air when the wind blew.

Then every week you get to go get a bath, wash your clothes in the same river that you get your drinking water from, which they put more malaria pills in so you get to go like a goose some more. I hope I don't have to explain what that's like.

At night you get to pull guard for 2 hours a person to play with your friends some more- you guess it **MOSQUITOS!!!!!!**

I really don't like talking about this- it still bothers me a lot of nights but it's good to talk about it once in a while so people don't forget what some people went thru for this country. I could go on and on but I would think you have the point by now.

I fought for the GREAT USA to stop communism.

Then I came home in one piece- Thank God. Got married brought a farm and live happily after until Mr. Brownback gave a company named **GRAIN BELT EXPRESS TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT THE RIGHT TO EMINENT DOMAIN US.**

That means they can take our land from us so they can make money using our land that they take!

But You know what the real kicker is, the great state of Kansas then taxes you on the proceeds on the land they made you sell.

I sweat a lot for this GREAT COUNTRY to stop communism. We didn't have cell phones, computers or anything when I was over there. I never got to talk to any friends or family until I got home.

I still feel I live in the best Country in the world and I hope I was part of the reason for that.

But this seems like this is on the edge of communism to me. **FORCE YOU TO SELL YOUR LAND AND GET TAXED FOR IT UNREAL FOR THIS USA.**

WE HAVE BEEN PLAYING WITH THIS FOR A YEAR AND A HALF LETS PASS THIS BILL AND MOVE ON. GOD DID IT IN 7 DAYS!!!

I would love to try to answer any questions.

Thanks for your time:

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