



Written Testimony Provided To
Senate Utilities Committee
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Written Testimony in Opposition to SB 68

Chairman Olson, Vice-Chairman Petersen, Ranking Member Francisco, and Members of the Committee,

Please accept this written testimony in opposition to SB 68 which establishes a right of first refusal for high-voltage regional transmission projects that are cost-allocated across the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) region.

APA supports competitive bidding for transmission projects in order to minimize costs to consumers, expedite the construction of needed infrastructure, and maximize efficiencies thereby reducing costs and minimizing impacts on landowners.

APA members are working to deliver cleaner, cheaper, reliable power to American consumers; and our investments in communities are delivering economic diversification, tax revenue, and job opportunities. Additionally, the low-cost low-emission electricity we provide serves as an economic development tool as it aids commercial and industrial customers in lowering power costs and meeting corporate energy needs with long-term power purchase contracts.

Our opposition to SB 68 represents the position of the Advanced Power Alliance and does not expressly communicate for any individual member company. We appreciate your consideration and the opportunity to express our view on this issue.

Please contact me at any time if either I or any of our organization's members may be of help.

Sincerely yours,

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