

Vote Explanation for SB 1047 B

Sen. Jeff Golden

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My “no” vote stems from my belief that the Legislature should not favor one county over all others in expediting agency processing of an application for a special project in that district. While it’s true that Curry County faces significant challenges to their attempts to create businesses that will provide quality jobs, the very same can be said of many if not most of the state’s rural counties.

Granting this one county a place at the front of an agency line, thereby displacing other counties waiting to have their important projects approved, is not a proper role for this body. It could well erode public trust by enhancing suspicions that secret dealings over legislation are facilitated by special favors to certain key legislators. This bill does not reflect well on our legislative chamber.

Thank you,

Jeff Golden

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