

SUPPORT **House Bill 3228 (Lambert)**

For more than three decades, renewable energy has thrived in Texas—**delivering significant economic benefits to communities and landowners while providing low-cost power to meet growing electricity demand.** As with oil and gas, Texas has become the **national leader in installed utility-scale wind and solar generation.**

Recognizing this success and seeking to strengthen landowner rights, the Texas Legislature in recent years has enacted some of the **nation's most robust decommissioning requirements for wind and solar facilities.** These standards require project owners to **fully cover the costs of facility removal and land restoration, with financial assurance structured in a manner prescribed by the private landowner.**



Did You Know?

In response to the rapid expansion of battery energy storage systems (BESS), decommissioning for BESS—including the costs of recycling and disposal—is currently being considered through SB 1824 & HB 3809?



What does *House Bill 3228* do?

HB 3228 builds on the aforementioned existing statutes by clarifying that project owners must also include in their financial assurance **the costs to collect and recycle or reuse all components capable of being recycled or reused—and to safely dispose of any remaining components that cannot.**

This update comes at a critical time: portions of Texas's wind fleet are nearing the end of their useful life or are being repowered, while utility-scale solar power is experiencing enormous growth.

HB 3228 is a necessary step to **reinforce landowner protections and send clear market signals to support the development of a more robust recycling industry in Texas—aligning with findings from the TCEQ study conducted as a result of Senate Bill 1290, 88R (Perry/Landgraf).**

We urge you to Vote YES on HB 3228!