



The Honorable Kim Reynolds
Governor of the State of Iowa
Office of the Governor
1007 East Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50319

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

RE: Veto Request for House File 639

Dear Governor Reynolds,

I respectfully urge you to veto House File 639 — legislation that would undercut the very infrastructure we need to achieve President Donald J. Trump’s vision for American energy dominance. Not only does this bill effectively ban not just carbon capture and sequestration projects in the state, but crude oil, ammonia, and fertilizer pipelines as well.

President Trump has made it clear: the path forward for America is bold investment in domestic energy, fewer bureaucratic barriers, and a rapid expansion of critical infrastructure like pipelines. His executive order establishing the National Energy Dominance Council and the series of energy-focused directives from the Department of the Interior are a blueprint for prosperity — especially for rural states like Iowa.

House File 639 would do the opposite.

It threatens to stall or stop pipeline development at a time when we should be moving full speed ahead. President Trump understands that pipelines aren’t just about moving energy — they’re about unleashing economic growth, creating rural jobs, and strengthening national security. He has called for cutting red tape, reopening offshore and onshore development, and opening Alaska’s vast resources — all while promoting innovation in biofuels, carbon capture, and other technologies that keep farmers at the center of America’s energy future.

This legislation stands in the way of that future.

The Trump Administration is advancing a bold vision of energy dominance—one that's not just about production, but about creating jobs, driving innovation, and ending our dependence on foreign adversaries. This bill stands in direct opposition to that vision. It undercuts our ability to harness American resources and sends the wrong message to those of us who believe in a strong, sovereign nation powered by homegrown energy.

I urge you to veto this bill and keep Iowa aligned with President Trump's bold, America-first energy agenda.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nick Ryan", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Nick Ryan