



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

TESTIMONY
Senate Committee on Natural Resources
SB 1597
March 24, 2009

The League of Women Voters of Texas **SUPPORTS SB 1597** by Senator Kirk Watson.

Our support is based on:

- The requirement for a greenhouse gas emissions analysis of long-range transportation plans to be adopted by metropolitan planning organizations after January 1, 2011.
- The analysis must quantify the carbon dioxide emissions using best available methods.
- The analysis may be quantitative or qualitative for other greenhouse gases.
- The Texas Department of Transportation is to monitor and update the chosen best-available methods.

We consider these requirements to be essential for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Texas.

Thank you for your consideration of our views.