

## Bert Downs

While I support the development of both technology and rules that help us use our resources with increasing wisdom, I'm also committed to wisdom that takes into account the well-being and realities the state's population faces at any given point in time. The well-being of the state's population is, after all, governments prime responsibility and must have priority position in any "ruling" consideration that comes before it. In this case, while to say it again, I support the development of new and helpful technologies, I think the "rules" proposed here overlook the primacy of that reality both in timing and extent of what is proposed in terms of the timing of technological development, the needs and challenges facing the state's population and the strategic and balanced use of all the resources available to us. I can't support this proposed step because it fails in some measure in all of those areas. And I think if you effectively polled a majority portion of the state's citizens you would discover minimal support for this action as it is currently structured.