

Letter of response to the Iowa House Government Oversight Committee letter published Sept. 17, 2015

To the House Government Oversight Committee:

I am writing to take issue with your recent letter here published from your House Government Oversight Committee and although directed to the CCRC, was also meant for the larger Clarke county readership, which involves me. I take umbrage in the threatening tone and insinuations it imposes on our community and it's leaders.

I find the letter to be juvenile in it's inception and intent and tone. It is a letter below the dignity of the governmental office it represents and of what should be expected of our elected who are under oath to serve all people of our state.

This letter is a veiled attempt to intimidate and coerce any further dialogue on a vital subject and issue of concern to our community and is an assault to good civic involvement. As such I call upon our district elected representatives, Rep. Joel Fry and Sen. Amy Sinclair to ask for an apology to their constituents who have been insulted and "talked down to" by individuals of our state who have no vesture in our community.

Even the need for such a volatile letter is questionable and suspicious. It seems as though you acted on some rumor or a personal revenge. Your baseless inferences, disrespect, and vitriol should not be tolerated by our community or state government oversight and ethics of such. Overall it is a poorly written, sophmoric attempt to bully people with your sense of status and power.

I challenge the members of this state committee to publically respond, with respect, dignity, and integrity, without their biased spin and defense of motive. I also ask that they cease to try to increase dissension over a vital issue to our community.

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