Dear Chair Doherty and Members of the Committee:

I am writing in support of Senate Bill 1520. I currently have solar installed on my roof and I love it. The reason I could install solar on my house is because I have good sun exposure and I own my house. This is not the case for a number of my friends that would like to install solar but can't. Passing Senate Bill 1520 would allow my friends and other folks to invest in community solar projects. This type of investment by local communities is so important because it would provide much-needed capital for the solar market, create good paying jobs, and it would create an investment strategy that would keep the dollars circulating locally.

Thank you for your consideration,

I urge you and the Committee members to support this bill.

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