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To the Senate Interim Committee on Environment and Natural Resources:

Written Testimony On LC 19

LC 19, unfortunately, while an important step in the right direction, still falls short of what we need to sufficiently reduce GHG emissions and zero in on a sustainable renewable-energy future, and to do so in a fair and equitable way that doesn't place the greatest burden for making the transition on those who are least able to carry it. It needs improvement in several areas:

- A. The principle of putting a price on GHG emissions is a critical element of any effort to curb those same emissions. Providing too many free allowances or exempting too many emitters of GHG undercuts this goal. For the Natural Gas sector of this bill, there are too many of those free allowances for too long a time period; and too many exemptions.
- B. In the Transportation Sector, the phase-in approach this bill adopts makes some sense, but it's important to have the whole state covered, at some point in time, which is currently not the case. Also, only covering such a small proportion of diesel use in the state is a significant concern.
- C. We need greater clarity that impacted communities will have representation on boards controlling the investments under this bill, and that some portions of the investments will go to reduce emissions and help the most impacted communities mitigate the effects of climate change.

Thank you all for your service in the legislature; please continue your work to arrive at a stronger bill -

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