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On Behalf Of:  
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To Whom It May Concern,

I testify to support SB 854. As a college student who has graduated through the current K-12 curriculum, I can tell you that it is not enough. Students must self-select for climate change education, taking courses like AP Environmental Studies. Unfortunately, not every school has access to such a course, and only those interested in the subject will take it. Providing comprehensive education for K-12 students across the state will ensure access for every student.

The proposed curriculum is moderate and non-alarmist, contrary to the claims of opposing comments. Moreover, I understand that at first glance, the length of the bill's requirements seems unrealistic. However, when spread across 12 years of education, it is manageable and a minimal task.

Sustainability is a bipartisan goal. We can all agree that we must make efficient use of our resources, land, and energy to preserve the integrity of the Earth. We may disagree on the actions to get there, which is why this bill affords teachers the freedom to express a variety of solutions and perspectives.

Thank you for your time,  
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