Submitter: Steve Piercy

On Behalf

Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and

Water

Measure: HB2659

Hello,

I am writing to ask you to oppose HB 2659 and let it die. Its death would be an admirable sacrifice to save the Climate-Friendly and Equitable Communities program. This program will help mitigate the disastrous effects from decades of poor land use and development policies that encourage suburban sprawl and dependence on cars for transportation.

As private vehicles continue to grow in size and weight, increasing numbers of people die or become seriously injured from traffic crashes. I want to live where I can safely walk, bike, roll, and ride public transit without fear of becoming a red smear.

Thank you for your consideration.