

Dear Environment Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly,

My name is Cecille Cunningham and I am a resident of Madison, CT. I am writing to express my support of the move to put a price on carbon in Connecticut. In the absence of federal action on climate, states must take the lead in order to mitigate the problem. For a long time, Connecticut has been a leader on climate change issues, modeling progressive policy for the rest of the country. As one of the 20 states to commit to the Paris climate accord, it is imperative that we continue to reduce our carbon footprint. Economists have repeatedly stated that pricing carbon is the most effective and efficient way to reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions. In addition, it creates incentives for individual and systemic changes.

Thank you to the Committee for all of their hard work in starting this conversation and getting the ball rolling on climate.

Sincerely,

Cecille Cunningham