

Message: I support carbon pricing.

RE: Raised House Bill 5363

To the Environment Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly, my name is Ronny Kaplan. I am a resident of Stamford, CT.

Climate change is REAL, human activity is causing a large amount, if not all of it. Over 97% of scientists agree that is the case. Climate change has devastating consequences on the health and productivity of our communities: in Connecticut, elsewhere in the US, and in the world at large. Addressing climate change is necessary, to do nothing is immoral!

Carbon pricing is the most effective and efficient way to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; it creates incentives for both individual and systemic changes. Over 75% of 1100 economists surveyed by NYU's Institute for Policy Integrity agree that putting a price on carbon is the most economically efficient way to reduce carbon pollution. I applaud the committee for taking up this vital topic and urge the backing carbon pricing.

I truly believe Connecticut can position itself as a leader in the global fight against climate change by supporting strong legislation that puts a price on carbon.

Sincerely,

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