

Dear Members of the Energy and Technology Committee,

I am submitting this testimony regarding Proposed S.B. No. 9, an Act Concerning Connecticut's Energy Future.

While supportive of the critical steps that SB-9 takes regarding renewable energy targets, I urge you **to NOT destroy roof-top solar with eliminating net metering.**

My family and I have spent months working on a plan to install roof top solar. We are a green family trying to do our fair share to reduce our carbon emissions and footprints. We have grave concerns over climate change and our fearful of the effects on Connecticut and indeed the planet as a whole. We remain committed to doing what we can for a future that retains what we have been so fortunate to have.

With the changes SB-9 proposes, you are making my family's choice to work toward self-sustaining energy much more difficult. We want to consume the power WE generate. **We are willing to pay our fair share of the costs** that a power company has to support our infrastructure as we will have to use power at times. However, we believe that industry across the country is changing and adapting to new technology, at the expense of cost reduction, shareholder profits, and jobs unfortunately. Our utilities in Connecticut should not force us into business as usual creating disincentives to us providing as much power to our house as we can make and letting us store it in the future. Additionally, renewable rooftop energy programs are a way for you to help disadvantaged constituents lower their bills. As our representatives in legislators, I hope you support us and not bow down to corporate profits over our needs.

I am sure you have watched towns go to 100% renewable energy, indeed entire countries now have large scale renewables. Citizens are becoming activated. We want Connecticut to be a progressive cutting-edge state. Please don't dis-incentivize us for doing the right thing!

Save the current net metering plan and let your citizens produce their own healthy, low cost energy.

Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,
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