

Dear Environmental Committee of CT General Assembly;

I am writing in support of the HB5363. As 97% of scientists concur that climate change is occurring and is caused by human activity it is time to act boldly. Large scale initiatives, like an increasing carbon fee which moves the market towards renewable energy, is critical as we face this most serious threat to our way of life. Further, having the bill be revenue neutral ensures that the disadvantaged do not suffer financial hardship. Being revenue neutral also encourages bipartisan support for the bill which is critical for it to pass.

States can lead the way on climate action in a way the federal government doesn't seem to be able to do right now. CT can set an example for the rest of the country ; we can show that we have the will and ability to face this most serious threat to our future -and most importantly - our children's future.

Thank you for your time,

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