

Testimony Before the Committee on Environment

In Support of
**S.B. No. 7 AN ACT CONCERNING CLIMATE CHANGE PLANNING
AND RESILIENCY**

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Dear Members of the Environment Committee:

I am submitting this testimony in support of Proposed S.B. No. 7, An Act Concerning Climate Change Planning And Resiliency.

Climate change is a serious issue and I am counting on you to treat this matter with the gravity and urgency it deserves. Connecticut was the first state in the nation to pass a bipartisan state law for reducing greenhouse emissions and we cannot falter now. I trust you can recollect what coastal Connecticut can look like after a major storm like the ones we've had in recent years. The risks of storm surges and flooding will only increase and we must plan for resilience at the same time as we reduce emissions to curb the problem at its source. Please set the target for reducing Connecticut's greenhouse gas emissions 45% below 2001 levels by 2030.

I would like to live in Connecticut for the rest of my life and see my community thriving around me. We must work across the state to make sure we meet this future with wisdom and care.

Please, support Senate Bill No. 7.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony.

Respectfully submitted,
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