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RE: 2021 —H5503

In Favor of this Bill

To: RI House Committee on Corporations

My name is Kenneth Lacoste. I live on Block Island. I am a former First Warden of the New Shoreham Town Council and was very much involved in the recent creation of the Block Island Utility District (BIUD).

I urge you to support the passage of H 5503 and allow Block Island's utility district as well as the Pascoag Utility District to accept more net metering projects. As a rate paying customer of the BIUD I know that the BIUD Board of directors encourages the development of more locally generated solar energy. Furthermore, in this day and age the benefits of renewable energy should be obvious to everyone, and I'm sure you all concur.

The positive impact of your support of this bill will be to support the development of local, renewable energy production and it is my understanding that there will be no negative impacts to other RI electricity customers nor National Grid itself.

In conclusion I urge you to support H 5503 as introduced by Representative Filippi.

Sincerely,

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