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On Wednesday, March 10, 2021, 10:12 AM, HENRY BOENIGER <hboeniger@verizon.net> wrote:

Via Email

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Honorable David A Bennett, Chair  
State House  
82 Smith Street  
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Dear Chairman:

On behalf of Green Development LLC I am writing to oppose H5525. Although well intended, I feel this bill would be a detriment to the development of solar power in the State of Rhode Island. There is currently only one state that has passed similar legislation. The State of Washington passed legislation in 2017 and is having problems implementing their new law. In fact, they have moved back the date of implementation until the year 2023. With no state in the northeast with this type of legislation manufacturers would hard pressed to sell solar panels in Rhode Island. It Certainly would not be cost-effective to do business in Rhode Island should this bill be passed.

With the life of most solar sites expected to last 25 years there is no solar site expected to be decommissioned for the next 12 to 25 years. Most, if not all cities and towns, have ordinances requiring performance bonds from developers for the proper disposal of solar panels once they are no longer functional.

With Rhode Island's goal of seeking to obtain 100% of electricity from renewable energy by the year 2030, this bill would certainly be a deterrent to achieving that objective. I respectfully urge the committee to postpone this bill.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

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Cc Hon.Brian P Kennedy