

Testimony FOR HR 7112

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I am deeply concerned about the climate crisis and its impact on the future of my grandchildren who reside in our state. The passage of 2021 Act On Climate gives me hope that our state is doing its part to mitigate the worst effects of the climate crisis. However, in order to achieve the goals set out in Act On Climate, citizens must be encouraged and have incentives to buy electric vehicles. Currently, only single family dwellings have the capacity to charge electric vehicles overnight. I would like to see HR 7112 amended to require that all multi-family dwellings in Rhode Island have EV charging capacity. Without such convenient access to charging, people will be reluctant to invest in this essential technology and the transition away from greenhouse gas polluting transportation will be impeded when we have no time left to waste.

Please bring this bill to the floor for passage with the above mentioned changes. Let's make sure that everyone in Rhode Island will be able to participate in the transition from polluting fossil-fuel-powered vehicles to clean efficient electric vehicles.

Thank you.