

TO: HouseCorporations@rilegislature.gov SUBJECT:

Support for (Bill #)

March 10, 2026

House Corporations Committee Rhode

Island State House

82 Smith Street

Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Chair Solomon and members of the Committee,

My name is Laura Briggs and I live in Providence I am submitting testimony in support of bill 7269.

I am a faculty member at Rhode Island School of Design and an architect doing work in Building Integrated Solar Power. I have been working in the solar design industry for over 30 years. I believe that balcony solar is a game changer and should be allowed in the state. The technology is advanced and provides simple installation for the homeowner which will dramatically reduce the cost of installation. It will help reduce energy cost for consumers and when adopted help to offset peak loads which drive the need for new power plants. I lecture on this every semester and would love to be able to say it has been adapted here in Rhode Island!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. Briggs', written on a light-colored background.

Laura Briggs

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