

Testimony in Support of House Bill 7295 the Rhode Island Clean Air Preservation Act.

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To the House Committee on Environment and Natural Resources,

Greetings,

My name is Angel Lopez. I write to you today in support of House Bill 7295. The June 2023 Report from the White House Titled “Congressionally Mandated Research Plan and Initial Research Governance Framework Related to Solar Radiation Modification” is a push to further influence weather modification as the answer to Climate Change. The activities described and depicted within the mentioned report do not consider the impacts of Solar Radiation Modification (SRM) on our food system. Our food system on the most basic level is dependent on pollinators that depend on the sun, clean water, and fertile land for survival. The Rhode Island Clean Air Preservation Act presents a route to defend against SRM Pollution and simultaneously generate funding that can be utilized to fund our own climate change mitigation efforts.

Many of the bills that will be discussed this year are directly or indirectly tied to our health and or avoiding climate catastrophe. House Bill 7295 will allow Rhode Island to continue its effort to fight climate change so we can continue to grow the solutions we know will create a healthier planet for a better tomorrow.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,

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