

Testimony from Wendy Fachon, East Greenwich
FOR H7295 The Rhode Island Clean Air Preservation Act

To the House Committee for Environment and Natural Resources,

Page 14 of the White House Document on Solar Radiation Modification (SRM)* states “The most widely discussed forms of solar radiation modification increase the quantity of solar radiation reflected back into space, including surface albedo enhancement, marine cloud brightening (MCB), stratospheric aerosol injection (SAI), and space-based methods... Discussed in this document are the methods that involve injecting material into the atmosphere.”

The aerosols that are intentionally injected into our atmosphere pollute the air, rainwater and soil.

The diagram on this same page shows the intentional blockage of sunlight. Crop-producing plants require sunlight to photosynthesize and grow a sufficient yield. These plants also require clean air, water and soil to produce *healthy* food. Unfortunately, the RI Act on Climate legislation overlooked the inclusion of “pollution,” and this is why H7295 The Rhode Island Clean Air Preservation Act is essential.

I will NOT consent to intentional pollution. Surely, Rhode Island will NOT consent to intentional pollution, and the state legislature will pass a law to assure the health and safety of its environment and its people. Rhode Island needs a law to prohibit such reckless behavior by the US Federal Government, to establish state governance over SRM, and to buttress the RI Act on Climate legislation. Committee members, please, act NOW to support and pass the Clean Air Preservation Act.

With gratitude,

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* <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Congressionally-Mandated-Report-on-Solar-Radiation-Modification.pdf>