

March 21, 2024

The Honorable David A. Bennett Chairman House Committee on Environment and Natural Resources 82 Smith Street Providence, Rhode Island 02903

RE: H 8043 An Act Relating To State Affairs And Government – State Agency Emission Reporting

Dear Chairman Bennett,

Thank you for providing the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources (OER) the opportunity to submit comments on *H-8043 An Act Relating To State Affairs And Government – State Agency Emission Reporting.* OER supports the objectives of this legislation.

OER's mission is to lead the state toward a clean, affordable, reliable, and equitable energy future. The agency develops programs and policies to help with the implementation of the Act on Climate. As a member of the State's Executive Climate Change Coordinating Council, OER has a responsibility to lead by example and do its part in reducing the agency's energy usage and carbon footprint.

We appreciate the opportunity to offer comments on this legislation. Please feel free to contact me should you have any additional questions or wish to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,

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