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House Finance Committee
Rhode Island State House
82 Smith Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Chair Abney and members of the Committee,

My name is Harper Aitken, and I currently study at Brown University. I am submitting testimony in opposition to Sections 3 and 8 in Article 11 of the proposed Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. To meet our Act on Climate emissions reductions, we must take action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support deployment of clean energy. These budget sections slash investment in energy efficiency and clean energy and move RI further away from meeting our climate mandates.

Sincerely,
Harper Aitken