

Dear Chair Abney and members of the Committee,

I am submitting testimony on Article 6 Question 5 of the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. Energy efficiency can directly lower utility bills for homeowners, and for all Rhode Islanders. However, allocating energy efficiency funding via a bond is not an assured or consistent source of funding for these critical programs.

Thank you,

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