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BILL: SB0076
TITLE: Climate Crisis and Education Act
POSITION: SUPPORT
HEARING DATE: 2/2/2021
COMMITTEE: Budget and Taxation
SPONSOR: Senator Benjamin Kramer

The Climate Crisis and Education Act will benefit our citizens and environment while providing energy companies incentives to increase their offerings of renewable energy products to Maryland's public. The millions of dollars obtained from placing increased fees on carbon pollution will be spent on the Kirwan Education Fund; protection of low-income families and energy-intensive trade business; and the improvement of our infrastructure. These results are a win-win for Maryland and its citizens. Greenhouse gas reduction and moving away from fossil fuels are essential to protecting our immediate environment and our planet. Associated fees will encourage change and ease even greater long-term dangers.

For these reasons and more, I urge FAVORABLE REPORT on SB 0076.

Respectfully submitted,

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