

Testimony in OPPOSITION to HB1085 –Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard  
Qualifying Biomass and Thermal Biomass Systems

Dear Chair Wilson and members of the Economic Matters Committee,

I am opposed to HB1085.

The Eastern Shore of Maryland will be subject to sea level rise before most of the area of the United States due to human induced climate change. This bill proposes that Maryland expand its' definition of qualifying renewable energy systems by including Biomass and Thermal Biomass systems which produce greenhouse gas emissions, which are a major cause of human induce climate change. These systems will harm the environment and should not be included as qualifying renewable energy systems.

My waterfront home is located on coastal bays of the Eastern Shore of Maryland. My home's existence and value are threatened by rising sea levels. Action is required by my state legislators to protect me and my family from future harm, which has been clearly identified by U.S. scientists.

Respectfully,

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