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HEARING DATE: 2/15/2022

BILL: SB0135
TITLE: Climate Crisis and Education Act
SPONSOR: Senator Benjamin Kramer
POSITION: SUPPORT
COMMITTEE: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
Budget and Taxation

Dear Distinguished Members of both Committees,

My name is Alyson and I currently live in district 22.

I would like to voice my support for the Climate Crisis and Environmental Justice act. We need action when it comes to climate change. I've lived my whole life knowing about climate change, what it is, what it does, and what it will be if we do not act.

When I called my Representative about SB135, I was told about Bill SB-528. I think it is a great bill, but it needs to be stricter in certain areas; areas that CCEJ covers. SB135, the CCEJ Act plans on actively investing in the green economy, local government, and directly invests in the people who have been most affected by climate change.

SB - 528 wants to make sure Maryland buildings and schools run cleaner with electricity and SB135, the CCEJ Act is a bill that can ensure this happens efficiently, effectively, and practically by contributing to the revenue needed to implement these demands.

Both bills target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 60% by 2030 based on 2006 levels. The CCEJ however aims for even lower emissions than what was seen in 2006 by 2040. They plan to reduce emissions down 100% from levels seen in 2006 by 2040 and with Zero emissions after 2040.

For these reasons and more, I urge a FAVORABLE REPORT on SB0135.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cc: Members of the Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs & Budget and Taxation Committee