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HB 0145

Green and Renewable Energy for Nonprofit Organizations Loan Program and Fund

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Dear Chair Wilson, Vice Chair Crosby, and esteemed members of the Economic Matters Committee:

Advanced Energy United is an industry association that represents companies operating in the clean energy space. Our mission is to accelerate the transition to a 100% clean energy economy. Our member companies include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture and install rooftop solar panels and batteries for the storage of solar energy.

HB 0145 would establish a loan program to allow nonprofit organizations to take out nointerest loans, for the purpose of installing qualifying energy systems, which could be used for systems such as rooftop solar and battery storage.

Advanced Energy United holds that maximizing rooftop solar to the greatest extent practicable is critical to meeting our organization's mission. The low cost of solar panels and the energy independence they provide will save nonprofit organizations money and reduce demand on the grid.

We respectfully request the Committee issue a favorable report. Thank you for your time.

Best Regards,

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