Written Testimony for SB 425/ HB 902: Environment - Coal Combustion By-Products - Fees, Coordinating Committee, and Regulations - Please VOTE NO on this bill.

Dear Environment & Transportation Committee:

Please **VOTE NO** on SB 425. The proposed fees "to be paid by a generator of coal combustion by–products..." will make coal-cumbustion services unable to compete, thereby giving electricity services a market monopoly. Traditional supply vs. demand rules will apply even moreso at that point. Maryland's demand for electricity will be higher than ever, and our grid will be unable to keep up with this demand. Governor Moore's energy vision feels like it was cooked up in a think tank, not Maryland. He's pushing zero-emission heating standards and electric for EVERYTHING mandates while the state's grid can barely handle current demand! He favors banning gas stoves and heating in favor of pricier electric alternatives—options that don't even work during outages unless you've got a fortune to spend on backup generators. Governor Moore's energy policy is a train wreck—expensive, unreliable, and hypocritical. He's gutting what works and leaving Marylanders to pick up the tab. We need reliable power now!! We cannot afford any more of this Green New Deal, or Marylanders will be forced to move from our great state, because they will no longer be able to afford to live here.

Therefore, please VOTE NO on	SB 425.	Show Marylanders	that you are	in favor o
reliable power now!!				

Thank you.

Respectfully,

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