



HoCoClimateAction.org
Howard County, Maryland

**HB1556 - Advanced Clean Cars II Program and Advanced Clean Trucks Regulation -
Application and Enforcement**

Hearing Date: March 12, 2025
Sponsor: Delegate Stein
Committee: Environment and Transportation
Submitting: Liz Feighner for **HoCo Climate Action**
Position: **UNFavorable**

[HoCo Climate Action](#) is a [350.org](#) local chapter and a grassroots organization representing approximately 1,400 subscribers. It is also a member of the [Climate Justice Wing](#) of the [Maryland Legislative Coalition](#).

We urge you to **vote UNFavorably on HB1556** which would delay the implementation of the Advanced Clean Cars II and Advanced Clean Trucks regulations by two years. The Maryland Department of Environment has stated in a hearing earlier this session "that the Advanced Clean Cars II is **our single largest existing climate pollution reduction strategy over the long term.**" The clean cars and trucks rules will significantly cut air pollution, reduce respiratory illnesses, and save lives.

The transportation sector is the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Maryland and a major source of air pollution. The Advanced Clean Cars II and Advanced Clean Trucks rules are key components of the work to clean up transportation in Maryland. Delaying implementation of these rules would be a huge step backwards and seriously weaken our state's ability to meet the law mandating carbon neutrality by 2045.

As [Bill McKibben](#), founder of [350.org](#) and [Third Act](#) has stated, "**Winning slowly is the same as losing**".

We urge you to **reject HB1556** and issue an UNFAVORABLE report in committee.

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