



**February 21, 2025
Economic Matters Committee**

**HB 1111
Public Utilities – Solar Energy Generating Systems – Floating Systems and Systems
Located on Brownfields
Sponsor: Delegate David Fraser-Hidalgo**

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FAVORABLE

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 members represent the full suite of technologies that are powering this transition.

On behalf of our member companies and in alignment with our mission, we support HB 1111. This bill will allow solar projects that float on non-navigable bodies of water to qualify for the Small Solar Energy Generating System Incentive Program, and allow these same solar projects, and those constructed on brownfields, to be exempted from valuation or property tax.

This bill will benefit the solar industry, and help to promote the transition to a clean energy future. For these reasons, we respectfully request the Committee issue a favorable report. Thank you for your time.

Best Regards,

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