

Testimony on Senate Bill-FAVORABLE

SB 092 Electric Company Contracts, Capacity Market Models, and Regional Transmission Organizations – Studies

Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

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Dear Honorable Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Mona Guilfoil and I am a resident of Union Bridge in Carroll County, Maryland. I am writing in support of SB0092. I have recently joined Third Act, and their Power Up Communities (PUC) working group that seeks to influence the Public Utility Commission to protect rate payers and support lean energy policies. I've gotten quite an education on how broken the PJM system is—especially its capacity market. The most recent PJM capacity prices set a record---a stunning 22% increase over the last auction! And PJM even failed to secure all the capacity they are projecting we may need! There are so many aspects of PJM that are broken: capacity market participants that write the rules to benefit their shareholders who are overwhelmingly fossil fuel industries and utilities and a stalled interconnection queue that has thwarted clean energy additions to the grid (See <https://advancedenergyunited.org/blog/pjm-stalled-the-clean-energy-transition-affordability-and-reliability-depends-on-getting-it-back-on-track/>). The responsible action NOW is for Marylanders and their legislators to support SB 092 which would require us to study the costs and benefits of leaving PJM or at least its capacity market.

Please vote in favor of SB 092.

Thank you.