

SB 270: Public Service Commission - Full Costs and Benefits Analysis of Sources of Electricity Generation: Please vote to **SUPPORT** this bill.

Dear Education, Energy & the Environment Committee:

I am writing to respectfully **support SB 270**, concerning the *Public Service Commission – Full Costs and Benefits Analysis of Sources of Electricity Generation*.

Maryland families and businesses are facing rising energy costs and increasing concerns about grid reliability. Sound energy policy requires transparent, comprehensive evaluation of all electricity generation sources—examining not only upfront costs, but also long-term reliability, environmental impact, infrastructure requirements, ratepayer effects, and grid stability.

SB 270 promotes informed decision-making by requiring a full accounting of both the costs and the benefits associated with various generation sources. Too often, policy decisions are made based on partial data or limited projections. A thorough analysis will allow policymakers, regulators, and the public to better understand trade-offs and ensure that future energy decisions are economically responsible and technically sound.

An objective, data-driven review also strengthens public confidence. Ratepayers deserve assurance that energy policies are grounded in comprehensive analysis rather than assumptions. By equipping the Public Service Commission with clearer evaluative standards, **SB 270 supports transparency, accountability, and balanced energy planning.**

Maryland’s energy future should be built on careful analysis, fiscal responsibility, and reliability for consumers. SB 270 is a prudent step toward achieving those goals.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to **support SB 270**.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully,

Trudy Tibbals