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RE: S2121 An Act relative to 2030 and 2040 emissions benchmarks

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Dear Chairman Dempsey and Members of the House Committee on Ways and Means,

Thank you for considering S2121, An Act relative to 2030 and 2040 emissions benchmarks before your committee.

This bill would establish emission goals for the Commonwealth for 2030 and 2040. Currently there are goals set for 2020 and 2050. By creating these two benchmarks if would enable the Commonwealth to be sure of its compliance with the Global Warmings Solutions Act 2050 target. This bill would also seek to set our emissions threshold at 35% and 45% below the 1990 emissions rather than 80% currently required.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I respectfully request that S2121, An Act relative to 2030 and 2040 emissions benchmarks released favorably and expeditiously from your committee.

Sincerely,

Paul Heroux