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LD 495

I am here to express my support for LD 495, which mandates that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), when adopting rules aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions, must provide an estimate of:

The reduction in adverse climate effects expected from these emissions reductions.

The costs that these measures will impose on consumers.

This bill is fundamentally about transparency. As taxpayers, we deserve to know both the benefits and the costs associated with any regulatory decisions made by unelected officials within the DEP. It's common sense that we should have clear, quantifiable information about how these regulations will impact both our environment and our wallets.

Therefore, I urge the committee to support LD 495. It is essential legislation that "ought to pass" to ensure accountability and informed decision-making in our environmental policies.