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HB 2419 Proponent Testimony
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Chairman Fagg and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in favor of HB 2419, a bill that addresses consumer disclosures on residential systems and ensures additional clarity and uniformity for solar installers under the parallel generation statute.

Last year I advocated before you on net-metering legislation and received questions about ensuring consumer protections. We met with the AGs office following that hearing and received feedback that existing law did cover many scenarios of consumer complaints, and is being effectively applied, but we also recognized there was room for improvement. This bill is an example of our work on that issue since we left this committee.

Secondly, the bill last year addressed net-metering, an option available to solar customers in investor-owned utility territories. Today's bill addresses the parallel generation statute which applies to all utilities, including municipal and cooperatives.

The product before you today is reflective of work in good faith with our friends from the investor-owned utilities, municipals, and cooperatives to craft language that addresses limitations in current statute for those seeking to install or do the installation work of a solar array, as well as the utilities managing load for all of their customers.

The House passed this bill 123-0 and we're pleased to bring it to your committee for your thoughtful consideration.