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March 14, 2019 Testimony of Scott Millar  
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The Honorable House Committee on Environment and Natural Resources  
In opposition to of H- 5789

**39-26.4-3 (a)(1)(viii) Net Metering:** This section should be deleted in its entirety and state that:

"Effective upon passage, the renewable energy growth program, virtual net metering and renewable energy fund shall not be used to develop any ground mounted solar energy systems in areas of environmental concern. The burden to prove that a proposed ground mounted solar energy system is not within an area of environmental concern shall be on the applicant, who would need to provide clear and convincing evidence to the Department of Environmental Management that a proposed project is not within an area of environmental concern."