

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 178 AN ACT CONCERNING ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS

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To: Honored Chairs Sen. Needleman and Rep. Arconti and Distinguished Members of the Energy & Technology Committee

From: Lori Brown, Connecticut League of Conservation Voters

On behalf of the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters (CTLCV), thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony **IN SUPPORT of SB 178** to expand energy and water efficiency standards.

SB 178 makes it easy to choose the right appliances to save water, energy, and money. Efficiency is the simplest way to save energy and end reliance on polluting fossil fuels. The more efficient your appliance is, the less energy you use and the more money you save.

SB 178 broadens the scope of appliances that are required to meet efficiency standards.

The list of additional appliances will now include items such as air purifiers, air compressors, fluorescent lamps, commercial dishwashers, EV charging stations, air conditioners, showerheads, and water coolers.

SB 178 is a logical and much needed step in the right direction for Connecticut residents to make informed decisions on appliances that will help them lower their energy and water consumption and save money. We at CTLCV urge the committee to **SUPPORT SB 178** to expand energy and water efficiency standards. Thank you for your consideration as you deliberate on this bill.

Sincerely,

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