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Chair Murphy and Members of the Committee,

We are writing to express our support for Senate File 2224 (Mitchell). As we transition to a more equitable and clean energy future, we have the opportunity to improve the lives of Minnesotans. This transition means more jobs, cleaner air, better buildings, and new transportation options. This bill will play an important role in making this future possible for all of us.

We support Senator Mitchell's Senate File 2224, a bill to improve the use of renewable energy in state buildings. Sen. Mitchell's bill would require certain state buildings that do not meet Minnesota's State Sustainable Building 2030 energy performance standards to use cost-effective renewable energy to reach compliance. This is one important way the state can lead during this transition, by making sure our public buildings are on track to have net zero carbon emissions.

Transitioning to a net zero emissions economy by 2050 is a generational challenge for Minnesotans. It's one we can meet, if we enact legislation like this.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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