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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I would like to give my support to this bill, *with* a big stipulation. i'm not in favor of offshore wind. I have read the Nature Conservancy's studies. They show only that more studies are needed to figure out how dangerous offshore turbines are to the Atlantic ecosystem. Let's work a lot harder on on-shore wind instead! I know a lot of people are against giant pinwheels on land and I understand why. Guess what - we don't have to use them!

Let's use small, cylindrical pinwheels that can go onto any roof. They are set vertically and spin like the center hole of a record. This puts the power right where it's needed. The expenses are so much lower without making a giant pinwheel, and then carting it out into the ocean for installation. There is no flicker shadow, nor does the weight have the potential to damage roofs as a big pinwheel would. There's no expense to get a boat out into the ocean for maintenance and repairs, and no need for cables from the ocean into land. These pinwheels look just like the other things homeowners have on their roofs. Office buildings could have a lot of them on their roofs in order to contribute to the state's energy supply, especially buildings with a lot of roof space. Plus there's lots of wind on top of our tallest buildings.

Combine this with solar power and power can be harnessed all the time. It's very rare to have no wind and no sun at the same time. Best of all, the marine ecosystem is completely uninvolved. No one has to do any more studies on the effects of offshore wind. The money saved in the short and long term would be overwhelming!

RI has the chance to lead by example with this power source. Let's show the whole country how to make and use power in the least expensive, most productive, least dangerous way!

I'm available to help with this issue at any time.

Thank you for listening.

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