

To: House Committee on Environment and Natural Resources
Re: Support FOR H7357 Prohibition of high-heat waste facilities
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Dear Chair Bennett and members of the House Committee on Environment and Natural Resources,

I am writing in support of H7357. The push for pyrolysis plants in Rhode Island happens too often. Every time we have to fight to reject the attempt. It is time to send the message that we don't want any more outside efforts to inflict environmental harm on our state.

This technology is not clean and not safe and does involve emissions detrimental to us and our environment. It also gives plastics manufacturers the license to continually increase the use and manufacturing of plastics. We should be doing all we can to reduce our use of plastics and the fossil fuels needed to make them.

Please pass H7357 out of committee and support passage in the full House. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Joel Gates