



***Written Testimony to the House Finance Committee in Support of SB 25-120***

Climate Jobs Colorado respectfully submits this testimony in support of SB 25-120. Colorado faces a critical moment with respect to the development of sustainable, clean energy for our state, and nuclear energy is an important part of a carbon-free future. Colorado is and has been an energy leader for many years, currently in the top five oil producers and in the top twelve in wind and solar energy in the country.

In order to continue to lead on energy, we must also advance our capabilities in the realm of nuclear. This year, lawmakers took the courageous and correct step of classifying nuclear as clean energy. Now the industry must benefit from the educational institutions in our state that have led in the scientific world for over one hundred years.

SB 25-120 will provide guidance to build the workforce of the energy future in our state.

We respectfully request that the Finance Committee support passage of SB 25-120.

**Background on Climate Jobs Colorado**

Climate Jobs Colorado is a union-lead organization that advances sustainable environmental policies and practices, charged by good union jobs, all while expanding racial and economic equity for all Colorado families.