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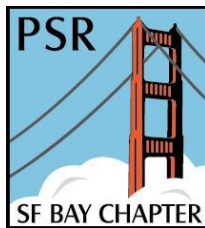
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The Honorable Ben Allen  
Chair, Senate Committee on Energy, Utilities & Communications  
1021 O Street, Suite 3550  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: Support for AB 2313 (Berman) – The Home Energy Choice Act**

Dear Chair Allen,

On behalf of the below listed organizations, we write in support of your bill AB 2313, the Home Energy Choice Act. Our organizations represent millions of Californians living with asthma, chronic lung disease, and other respiratory conditions, as well as the families and caregivers who support them. From a public health perspective, AB 2313 offers a practical and timely opportunity to reduce harmful indoor air pollution and protect vulnerable populations.

Gas service lines are routinely replaced as part of utility safety programs, often at significant cost that is passed on to ratepayers over decades. Today, customers have no choice when a gas service line serving their home is replaced—even when continued investment in fossil fuel infrastructure may no longer align with California’s long-term climate and public health objectives. AB 2313 corrects this gap by giving customers the option to electrify their homes and discontinue gas service in lieu of a planned gas service line replacement, using funds that would otherwise be spent on new gas infrastructure.

For individuals with asthma and other chronic respiratory illnesses, this choice has direct and meaningful health implications. Gas appliances are a significant source of indoor air pollutants, including nitrogen dioxide and particulate matter, which are known triggers for asthma attacks and can worsen lung disease—particularly for children, older adults, and people living in disadvantaged communities. By enabling households to transition to modern electric appliances, AB 2313 can help reduce exposure to these pollutants, improve indoor air quality, and support healthier homes across California.

Importantly, the Home Energy Choice Act also protects ratepayers by avoiding long-term investment in gas infrastructure that may become underutilized or stranded as gas demand continues to decline. Redirecting funds toward electrification alternatives reduces future cost burdens on remaining gas customers while advancing the state’s climate and air quality commitments. From a health equity standpoint, we support the bill’s provisions requiring robust outreach in disadvantaged communities and coordination with low-income energy efficiency and electrification programs to ensure that those most impacted by pollution can benefit from this program.

AB 2313 represents a smart, cost-effective policy that aligns utility planning with public health, consumer choice, and California’s transition to clean energy. By prioritizing alternatives that improve safety, reduce emissions, and promote healthier indoor environments, the Home Energy Choice Act delivers tangible benefits for Californians living with chronic respiratory conditions while safeguarding all ratepayers from unnecessary long-term costs.

We respectfully urge your colleagues in the Legislature to support AB 2313 and help advance a healthier, cleaner energy future for California families. Our organizations stand ready to work with you and your staff to provide additional information and share the public health perspective as this bill moves forward.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

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