



August 29, 2024

Honorable Cottie Petrie-Norris  
California State Assembly  
1021 O Street, Suite 4230  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: AB 3121 (Petrie-Norris) – Support**

Dear Assemblymember Petrie-Norris:

The Public Advocates Office is the independent consumer advocate at the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). We advocate for affordable, safe, and reliable utility services consistent with the state's climate and clean energy goals.

We write in strong support of AB 3121, which takes a commonsense approach to providing quick bill relief to residential customers. Our assessment indicates that without swift and decisive action, the energy cost burdens placed on Californian households will continue to persist, exacerbating the challenges they face.

AB 3121 efficiently reallocates uncommitted ratepayer funds to offer immediate bill credits, directly addressing much needed relief from high energy bills. While we recognize the public benefits provided by various programs funded through ratepayer contributions, the pressing need to alleviate the burden of high energy bills on ratepayers must take precedence. AB 3121 prioritizes this urgent need, offering tangible relief to California households.

Sincerely,

Linda Serizawa  
Interim Director