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The Honorable Amy Sheldon
Chairwoman
House Committee on Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife
115 State Street, Room 47
Montpelier, VT 05633-5301

RE: SB 30, as amended in the House Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife Committee, an act relating to reducing greenhouse gas emissions from hydrofluorocarbons - SUPPORT

Dear Chairwoman Sheldon:

Based on the amendments adopted in the House Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife Committee on May 10, the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) would like to **support SB 30**, as amended, an act relating to reducing greenhouse gas emissions from hydrofluorocarbons. We are pleased that our concerns have been addressed. This version of the legislation is a great example of people working cooperatively together to achieve a stronger bill.

AHAM represents manufacturers of major, portable and floor care home appliances, and suppliers to the industry. AHAM's membership includes over 150 companies that employ tens of thousands of people and produce more than 95% of the household appliances that are shipped for sale within the United States. The factory shipment value of these products is more than \$38 billion annually. The home appliance industry, through its products and innovation, is essential to consumer lifestyle, health, safety and convenience. Through its technology, employees and productivity, the industry contributes significantly to the U.S. job market and the nation's economic security. Home appliances also are a success story in terms of energy efficiency and environmental protection. The purchase of new appliances often represents the most effective choice a consumer can make to reduce home energy use and costs.

Thank you again for addressing our concerns and I am pleased to provide AHAM's support for SB 30, as amended.

Sincerely,

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