

Rebecca Buck

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Dear Rebecca

I cannot attend in person the public hearings, so here is my testimony:

The Climate Package for the FY2020 Budget that stressed appropriations for weatherizing our homes and businesses does not address the need to stop building new buildings that will require weatherization the very first day they are occupied. Our existing building code RBES and its proposed upgrade will keep allowing contractors to deliver very low energy efficient buildings adding to the colossal challenge that we face weatherizing the existing stock.

The RBES and CBES must be reformed to the Standards of Passive House or Architecture 2030 if we really want to stop adding to the problem that got us where we are with climate change.

Thanks and regards
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