



July 8, 2019

The Honorable Chris Coons
218 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: S. 983 – Weatherization Assistance Program Reauthorization

Dear Senator Coons:

On behalf of the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO), we are writing to you in strong support of S. 983 reauthorizing and strengthening the U.S. Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP).

NASEO represents the state energy directors in the 56 states, territories and the District of Columbia. We have worked with your staff for eight years on this important, bipartisan legislation. Coupled with the reauthorization of the U.S. State Energy Program (SEP), S. 983 can advance our national energy policy and dramatically improve the lives of all Americans, especially low-income Americans, veterans, and those living on fixed incomes.

You have worked tirelessly to advance S. 983, and we are pleased that it has been introduced on a bipartisan basis. It will modernize a successful program and help even more Americans, while including a new innovation program.

NASEO strongly supports the early passage of S. 983 and the House counterpart introduced by Representative Tonko.

We are happy to respond to any questions.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Terry", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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cc: State and Territory Energy Directors

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