

CLIMATE SOLUTIONS NOW

Maryland can rebuild the economy with clean energy jobs.
This bill would:

Move MD's Greenhouse Gas Reduction mandate to net neutral by 2045.

- The Maryland Commission on Climate Change recommends that Maryland achieve net neutrality by 2045
- The bill will also require a 60% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions below 2006 levels by 2030
- Current law requires the state to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 40% by 2030 and sets an aspirational goal of 80% by 2050



Invest resources in overburdened communities.

- The Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities will decide what percent of all state funds invested in climate must be spent in overburdened communities
- This provision is based on the New York Climate and Community Investment Act, which is widely considered the gold standard of state environmental justice policies

Protect Fossil Fuel Workers.

- A work group comprised of IBEW, AFL-CIO, registered apprenticeships, construction laborers, and building trades will be formed
- This work group will make recommendations for workforce development and training for displaced fossil fuel workers.



Enact simple, effective policies to reduce and mitigate our emissions, including:

- Plant 5 million trees by 2030 with 10% (500,000) to be planted in underserved urban areas of the State
- Increase EMPOWER efficiency gains from 2% to 3% a year
- Fund bus and passenger vehicle electrification Require new state buildings to be net neutral, with some exceptions for schools
- Require air monitoring at landfills
- Require emission reductions from some large existing buildings
- Require new state buildings to be net neutral, with exceptions for schools

