I am a Biology major who is an environmental educator, early education educator, and active in my synagogue doing the work of Tikkun Olam, repairing the world. It is past time for us to make solving the climate crises front and center, which means making sure that in all our decisions we take into account the effects our actions have on climate change. This is not a far stretch to do when considering land use policies. It is essential. We can no longer make short term economic and other policy goals that will result in devastation future devistation.

Also, people of color, and low incomeand underserved communities have said that land use decision often do not serve them. We need to fix the inequities.

I strongly support HB2488 and urge you to pass it.