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Committee members, please vote for HB 2960 because this bill prohibits the proliferation of a false solution to the plastic pollution problem. Chemical recycling is being pushed as a solution to the plastic crisis, but it is known to release harmful emissions, particularly greenhouse gas emissions. Chemical recycling is not a solution to plastic pollution. Instead, we should be focusing on the reduction of plastic manufacturing. Despite the now widespread knowledge about plastic pollution, more plastic is being produced now than ever before in history. Chemical recycling does not solve the plastic crisis but instead, it sends a false message that we are doing something about it. More importantly, chemical recycling creates new harm by releasing toxic chemicals and greenhouse gasses into our atmosphere. Please vote for HB 2960. Thank you.