



# DVGBC Rocks the House!

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On Tuesday, January 25, 2012 members of the three USGBC Chapters in PA ([Delaware Valley Green Building Council](#), [Green Building Alliance](#) and [USGBC Central PA](#)) went to Harrisburg for Advocacy Day. While we were there, members spoke to their representatives about green building and green schools, with a focus on [House Bill 193](#), a act requiring state-owned buildings to comply with energy and environmental standards. Five schools from around the Commonwealth displayed green schools information in the rotunda.

The day was a smashing success. House Bill 193 was approved in the House the next day by a vote of 170-18, helping to cut energy and water use, reduce air and global warming pollution, make our public employees more productive and save taxpayers money too!

Two legislators, on the fence before our meetings, voted in favor of the bill.

After the day, we got great reviews from Pennsylvania Representatives. [Representative Todd Stephens](#) wrote: "thanks for taking the time to meet with me to educate me on your initiative. Congrats on passage of the bill too!" And [Representative Justin Simmons](#) wrote: "HB 193 passed the House today. I voted in favor. Thank you for meeting with me yesterday."

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