

STAND UP FOR CLIMATE ACTION

Support Pallone Carbon Score Amendment

Dear Colleague:

Today, the House will consider amendments to H.R. 8, the North American Energy Security Act of 2015. This bill is a compilation of outdated energy policies, repackaged as the Republican Party's vision for the future. This ill-conceived bill will prop up the fossil fuel industry at a time when the country's focus should be on developing a comprehensive energy policy that drives the development of new technologies and advances clean and renewable energy sources.

Republicans will likely continue to deny that carbon pollution causes harm, stating that their priority is the economy and jobs. The economic boost under the Clean Air Act clearly rebuts these false claims. Ultimately, Republicans think that they can vote the costs of climate change away and spew misinformation, but the American people know that climate change is all too real and already harming us.

My amendment will promote efficiency, and protect the environment, public health, and welfare by requiring a carbon pollution score before the bill could be enacted. Congress should not assume that the cost of carbon pollution is zero. And members should have all of the facts about the direction this bill would send us, before being asked to cast a vote. It is our moral obligation to ensure that energy legislation does not put us on a path of irreparable environmental damage.

H.R. 8 is the Republican's attempt to keep us anchored to energy of the past. It is fundamentally flawed, and does nothing to help realize the clean and renewable energy policies of the future. We must look forward on energy policy and protect our environment and communities.

I urge you to stand up for climate action and **vote YES on the Pallone Carbon Score Amendment.**

Sincerely,

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