

MESSAGE FROM MARSHA

CAP AND TAX...

This week the U.S. House of Representative passed an aggressive carbon-capture and trade bill that ultimately raises the cost of food, fuel products and services in the United States. The intent of the bill is to reduce carbon-dioxide (CO2) emissions by 70% by 2030, using hard line governmental regulations and tactics.

By a vote of 219 to 212, H.R. 2454, the Cap and Tax bill was rammed through the U.S. House of Representatives with the knowledge it will make it difficult for families, farmers and businesses to survive.

The local, national and global science communities are split on whether the effects of carbon emissions generated by man are great enough to affect climate change. Climate change policy has been very problematic in Europe and Australia, and costly to their citizens. According to the Heritage Foundation's Center for Data Analysis, the impact of the Waxman-Markey policy would:

- Raise electricity rates by 90% after adjusting for inflation,
- Raise inflation-adjusted gasoline prices by 74%,
- Raise residential natural gas prices by 55%,
- Destroy 844,000 jobs on average.

Many families around Colorado are struggling to make ends meet in the current economic environment. The Waxman(D)-Markey(D) bill compounds the current problems with serious, irreversible, unintended-consequences that adversely affect our economy, families and future. I strongly disagree with this type of policy and believe Congress should be proposing policies that allow for additional research to clean up the carbon emissions for traditional energy sources such as coal, oil and natural-gas(carbon sequestration); wind and solar storage technology; and nuclear fission advancements. Please

contact your U.S. Senators and urge them to oppose H.R. 2454 today, it is not reasonable or sustainable!

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