



July 1, 2009

To Representatives:

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Dear Representative;

I write you today on behalf of the more than 62,000 members of FreedomWorks living in California, many of whom reside in your district, to convey their extreme disappointment for your "Yes" vote on H.R. 2454, the so-called "American Clean Energy and Security Act."

This legislation would impose a cap-and-trade system to regulate carbon emissions and in doing so, enacts a new tax on American consumers and businesses alike as energy costs are driven up across the board.

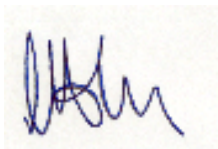
Even optimistic projections estimate that H.R. 2454 would result in a barely measurable 0.05 degree Celsius temperature “savings” over the next fifty years. In the meantime, over those fifty years, the economic effect would be far more tangible and disastrous.

Independent experts estimate that in the next eight years the legislation will take \$2 trillion dollars from our economy, redistributing it to powerful, favored institutions through a complex regulatory scheme with standards that are impossible to meet, as has been found in other countries with similar systems in place. Actually doing so would set our economy back over 130 years to 1875, the last recorded time our carbon-emissions met the legislation’s goals.

At a cost of anywhere from \$750 to over \$3,000 a year per family, the price is far too high for so little in return. High energy prices affect everything from heating, electricity, and fuel prices to agriculture, manufacturers, and shipping costs. These are the unavoidable costs of living and the burden of this legislation will fall most heavily on the poor who spend a higher percentage of their income on these essentials, making cap-and-trade a regressive tax that forces impossible decisions between food and the drive to work.

H.R. 2454 runs counter to any interpretation of fiscal conservative principal and indeed to fiscal sanity itself. Our members in your district will be working hard to make sure this message and your “yes” vote are communicated within their communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Matt Kibbe', is shown on a light-colored background.

Matt Kibbe
President