

KEY VOTE "YES" ON THE STOP THE WAR ON COAL ACT

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Dear FreedomWorks member,

As one of our million-plus FreedomWorks members nationwide, I urge you to contact your representative and urge him or her to vote YES on H.R. 3409, Stop the War on Coal Act. Introduced by Rep. Bill Johnson (R-Ohio), the Stop the War on Coal Act would implement five bills that will support U.S. energy production and protect jobs.

Title I of the bill is the Coal Miner Employment and Domestic Energy Infrastructure Protection Act which would prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from issuing new rules or regulations that will adversely impact mining jobs and our economy. This will help stop the Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement from conducting a sweeping rewrite of coal mining regulations that will cost jobs and decrease American energy production.

Title II of the bill is the Energy Tax Prevention Act which would strip the EPA of its ability to use the Clean Air Act to regulate greenhouse gases. Without this legislation, the agency will continue with its plan to implement burdensome new rules and regulations on American businesses that will have a significant negative impact on America's economy while having virtually no positive impact on global temperatures.

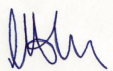
Title III of the bill is the Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation (TRAIN) Act which would establish an 11-member committee, chaired by the Department of Commerce, to analyze the impacts of a number of major Environment Protection Agency (EPA) regulations. This bill would push back against the EPA's unconstitutional, outrageous rules and regulations that raise energy prices for consumers, destroy jobs and increase our dependence on foreign sources of energy.

Title IV of the bill is the Coal Residuals Reuse and Management Act which would prohibit the EPA from regulating coal ash as a toxic waste in any state which prefers to develop its own plans in that regard. This bill would further slow the EPA's Regulatory Trainwreck and could save thousands of jobs in coal-rich states such as West Virginia and Ohio.

Title V of the bill is the Clean Water Cooperative Federalism Act which would amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to preserve the authority of each State to make determinations relating to the State's water quality standards. This would reduce the federal government's power over individual state's water quality standards to help increase job growth.

I urge you to call your representative and urge him or her to vote YES on H.R. 3409, Stop the War on Coal Act. We will count their vote as a KEY VOTE when calculating the FreedomWorks Economic Freedom Scorecard for 2012. The Economic Freedom Scorecard is used to determine eligibility for the FreedomFighter Award, which recognizes members of Congress with voting records that support economic freedom.

Sincerely,



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