



Clean Energy Businesses Say Vote YES on ACES

Pass and Strengthen the American Clean Energy & Security Act

Clean energy industries urge Congress to pass the American Clean Energy and Security Act (ACES). While strengthening of the legislation is needed prior to final enactment, House passage of ACES puts the nation on the path towards a clean energy economy—protecting our environment and creating thousands of US jobs.

Why Clean Energy Businesses Support Passage of ACES

The country is on the cusp of transforming the way we generate, distribute and use energy. To keep up with expected increases in energy demand and to address the challenge of global climate change, significant investment in the energy sector will be needed in the next several decades.

- **Businesses need predictability to know where to direct capital investments.** The comprehensive approach to energy and climate change policy adopted by ACES provides regulatory clarity and sends strong and long-term signals to the market to invest in existing clean energy technologies—such as renewable energy, energy efficiency and natural gas.
- **US businesses stand ready to create hundreds of thousands of high-quality jobs.** ACES provides clear and lasting clean energy policies and incentives that will create enduring markets. This will unleash billions of investment dollars for clean energy.

ACES will Create New Jobs and Maintain Economic Growth

- According to the Environmental Protection Agency's analysis of ACES, the nation's gross domestic product would grow robustly, from \$13 trillion in 2008 to over \$22 trillion in 2030, while deploying clean energy technology and reducing global warming pollution.
- New studies show that sustained investment in clean energy, as proposed by ACES and as contained in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, could create \$150 billion in clean energy investments and create 1.7 million jobs over the next decade (Center for American Progress, Union of Concerned Scientists).

ACES Keeps Costs for Families Low

- The Congressional Budget Office recently projected a cost of 48 cents per day for the average household in 2020 (\$175 per year) with the adoption of ACES.
- According to the Environmental Protection Agency, as a result of energy efficiency measures, consumer spending on utility bills would be roughly 7% lower in 2020 as a result of the legislation under ACES.

Vote YES on the American Clean Energy and Security Act

About the Business Council for Sustainable Energy

The Business Council for Sustainable Energy is an industry coalition that includes businesses and trade associations representing a suite of currently available technology options for strengthening domestic energy security while also reducing emissions of greenhouse gases that contribute to global climate change. These technologies include: advanced batteries, biomass, biogas, fuel cells, geothermal, hydropower (including conventional and new waterpower resources such as ocean, tidal and instream hydrokinetic), solar (including solar energy equipment such as solar hot water heating and solar light pipe technology), wind, natural gas, and supply-side and demand-side energy efficiency.



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