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S. R. No. 121

Senator Rulli

Cosponsors: Senators Landis, Romanchuk

A RESOLUTION

Τо	recognize that natural gas and its production	1
	industry are vital to Ohio's economic future and	2
	to urge continued investment in natural gas	3
	infrastructure to make affordable energy	4
	available to every Ohioan.	5

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

WHEREAS, Natural gas is a clean, affordable, and reliable	6
energy source, and it is vital for Ohio families and businesses	7
in maintaining lower energy bills and for Ohio to become the	8
low-cost energy capital of the United States; and	9
WHEREAS, Ohio's natural gas industry has transformed from a	10
low production industry to one of the top seven in terms of	11
production when compared to other states; and	12
WHEREAS, Ohio is a leader in clean energy technology, and	13
the natural gas industry leads Ohio in clean electricity	14
production when compared to other energy sources such as	15
nuclear, wind, and solar. In addition, in 2019, natural gas	16
generated more of Ohio's in-state electricity than coal for the	17
first time in history; and	
WHEREAS, Natural gas saves the average Ohio family \$2,500	19
annually in total energy costs, including over \$1,000 for home	20

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heating and appliances. The 36% of Ohioans utilizing other	
energy sources do not realize these savings; and	
WHEREAS, The natural gas industry supports 375,000 jobs,	23
which constitutes 5.3% of Ohio's total employment. In addition,	24
the natural gas industry contributed \$58.8 billion to Ohio's	25
gross domestic product in 2019; now therefore be it	26
RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th	27
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, recognize	28
that natural gas and the natural gas industry are vital	29
components of the state's economic future and urge continued	30
investment in natural gas infrastructure to make affordable	31
energy available to every Ohioan; and be it further	32
RESOLVED, That the clerk of the Senate send duly	33
authenticated copies of this resolution to Governor Mike DeWine	34
and the news media of Ohio.	35