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H. R. 3626

To prohibit funding for the Environmental Protection Agency to be used to implement or enforce a cap-and-trade program for greenhouse gases, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. POE of Texas (for himself, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. JONES, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. OLSON, Mr. BROOKS of Alabama, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. GOHMERT, and Mr. LATTA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Ensuring Affordable
5 Energy Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF FUNDING FOR CAP-AND-TRADE**
2 **PROGRAM, AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS, FOR**
3 **GREENHOUSE GASES.**

4 (a) PROHIBITION.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
5 sion of law, no funds appropriated or otherwise available
6 for the Administrator of the Environmental Protection
7 Agency may be used to implement or enforce—

8 (1) a cap-and-trade program; or

9 (2) any statutory or regulatory requirement
10 pertaining to emissions of one or more greenhouse
11 gases from stationary sources that is issued or be-
12 comes applicable or effective after the date of enact-
13 ment of this Act, including—

14 (A) any such requirement under section
15 111 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7411) or
16 part C of title I of such Act (42 U.S.C. 7470
17 et seq.), including the final rule entitled “Car-
18 bon Pollution Emission Guidelines for Existing
19 Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating
20 Units” signed by the Administrator of the En-
21 vironmental Protection Agency on August 3,
22 2015, and any requirement for a State to adopt
23 or submit a plan, or for a State or entity within
24 a State to become subject to a Federal plan,
25 pursuant to such final rule; and

1 (B) any such permitting requirement
2 under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et
3 seq.).

4 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

5 (1) The term “cap-and-trade program” means
6 any regulatory program established after the date of
7 enactment of this Act that provides for the sale, auc-
8 tion, or other distribution of a limited amount of al-
9 lowances that permit the emission of one or more
10 greenhouse gases.

11 (2) The term “greenhouse gas” includes, with
12 respect to a cap-and-trade program under subsection
13 (a)(1) or a requirement under subsection (a)(2), any
14 of the following:

15 (A) Carbon dioxide.

16 (B) Methane.

17 (C) Nitrous oxide.

18 (D) Sulfur hexafluoride.

19 (E) Hydrofluorocarbons.

20 (F) Perfluorocarbons.

21 (G) Any other anthropogenic gas des-
22 ignated as a greenhouse gas for purposes of
23 such cap-and-trade program or such require-
24 ment.

1 (3) The term “stationary source” has the
2 meaning given such term in section 111(a)(3) of the
3 Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7411(a)(3)).

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