

HR 1027

Healthy Climate and Family Security Act of 2015

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (28 total)

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Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Feb 24, 2015
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2015
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Feb 24, 2015
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Hahn, Janice [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Apr 28, 2015
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Apr 28, 2015
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		May 20, 2015
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		May 20, 2015
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Jun 1, 2015
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Jun 1, 2015
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 8, 2015
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Jul 8, 2015
Rep. Farr, Sam [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Jul 9, 2015
Rep. Nolan, Richard M. [D-MN-8]	D · MN		Jul 27, 2015
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Oct 27, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 27, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 24, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Healthy Climate and Family Security Act of 2015

This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to require the Department of the Treasury to establish a carbon trading program that caps the emissions of carbon dioxide (CO₂) from crude oil, coal, and natural gas. Beginning in 2017, crude oil refineries, petroleum importers, coal mines, coal importers, and natural gas suppliers or processors must purchase carbon permits equivalent to the amount of CO₂ that would be emitted by covered fuels. Treasury will auction these permits to those entities.

This bill establishes a declining cap on the quantity of permits issued to reduce CO₂ emissions until 2050 when the permits issued represent an amount 80% below 2005 CO₂ emission levels.

Treasury must issue permits for carbon capture and sequestration of CO₂ from covered fuels.

This bill provides for the trading or sale of permits between entities, the banking by entities of permits for future years, and the borrowing by Treasury of permits from future years to stabilize permit prices.

Auction proceeds and penalties are returned to U.S. citizens lawfully present in the United States using the Healthy Climate Trust Fund established by this bill.

Treasury must impose fees on the import and pay fees for the export of carbon-intensive goods when the export country does not have equivalent measures to regulate greenhouse gases. Carbon-intensive goods are goods with an increased cost due to the regulation of greenhouse gases.

The Environmental Protection Agency must regulate within 10 years all sources of greenhouse gases that are anthropogenically emitted (caused by human activity). This excludes gases attributable to the production of animals for food.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 25, 2015:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E421)
- **Feb 27, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.
- **Feb 24, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 24, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.