

Who Are The Players in Energy and Climate Change Policy?



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What's In Store for Energy and Climate Change Policy?

- Comprehensive Energy Policy
- Renewable Electricity Standard (RES), also called a Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS)
- Energy efficiency
- A climate regime to reduce carbon emissions
 - Cap and trade, carbon tax, etc.

Why Is This Important?

- Energy and climate change proposals affect how the manufacturing industry does business in the U.S.
- Policies that increase the cost of energy will increase the cost of business and could drive decisions to expand or close and move offshore.

The Administration



- President Barack Obama made energy and climate change top campaign promises.
- Included a cap and trade proposal to reduce carbon emissions in his FY 2010 budget.
- Has surrounded himself with key advisors experienced in climate change.
- Congress knows that the President wants action!

House of Representatives

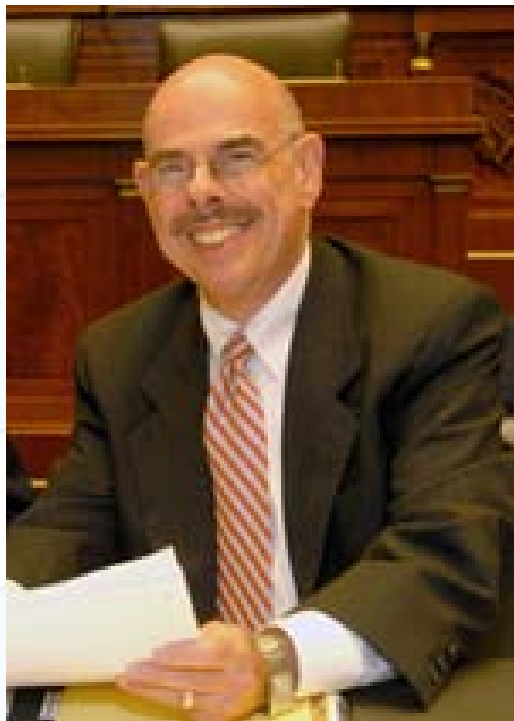
- 435 Members: 254 D's, 178 R's, 3 Vacant
- Committees of Jurisdiction
 - Energy and Commerce Committee – Subcommittee on Energy and Environment
 - Ways and Means Committee
 - Natural Resources Committee
 - Science and Technology Committee
 - Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming

Speaker Nancy Pelosi



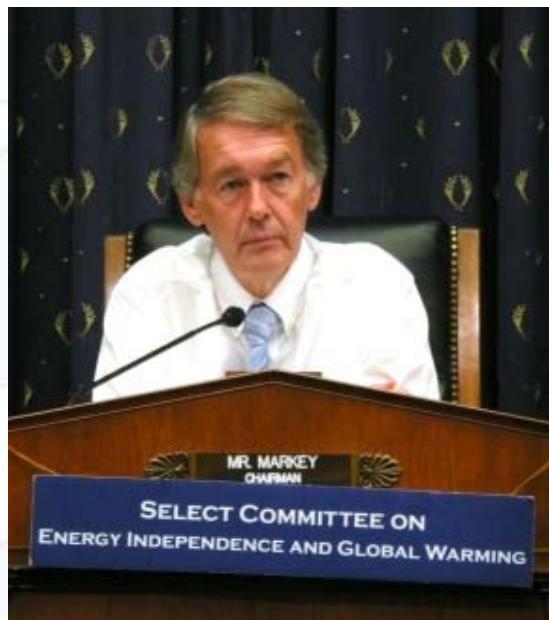
- Member of Congress from San Francisco, CA for 22 years.
- “The science of global warming and its impact is overwhelming and unequivocal.”
- Made changes as Speaker:
 - Created the Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming
 - Started the “Green the Capitol Initiative”
- Said that combined energy and climate bill will be voted on before December.

Chairman Henry Waxman (CA-30)



- Congressman to the stars for the past 34 years, representing Beverly Hills, Hollywood and Malibu.
- Has promised to have a combined energy and cap and trade bill out of the Energy and Commerce Committee by Memorial Day.

Subcommittee Chairman Ed Markey (MA-7)



- In Congress since 1976, representing area outside of Boston.
- Chairman of Energy and Commerce's Subcommittee on Energy and Environment AND the Select Committee on Global Warming.
- Champion of aggressive cap and trade proposal and supports more renewable energy.
- Pushed for extension of daylight savings.

Ranking Member Joe Barton (TX-6)



- Ranking Member of Energy and Commerce Committee representing Arlington, TX since 1984.
- Called the “House GOP’s leading expert on energy policy” by the Wall Street Journal.
- Doesn’t believe in global warming.
- Supports carbon capture technologies, increased domestic supply, nuclear, etc.

Chairman Nick Rahall (WV-3)



- Representing WV's "Coal Country" since 1976.
 - Proponent of coal technologies and continued use of coal.
- Chairman of Natural Resources Committee, which oversees energy development on public lands, including offshore drilling.

The U.S. Senate

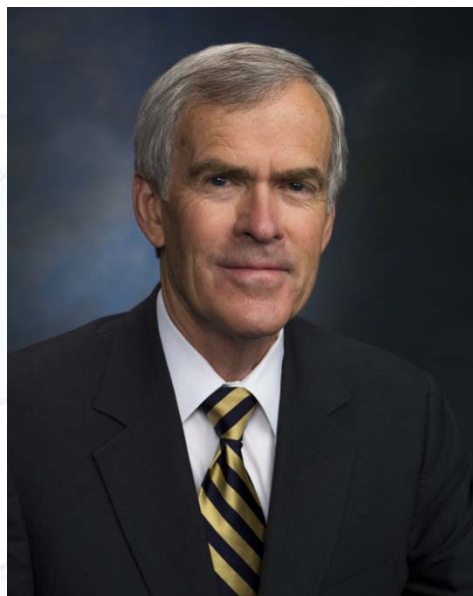
- 100 Members: 56 D's, 2 I's, 41 R's and MN
 - The key in the Senate is to reach the 60 vote threshold needed to stop a filibuster.
 - 15 Senators from largely manufacturing states have expressed concerns with energy and climate change legislation.
- Committees of Jurisdiction:
 - Environment and Public Works Committee
 - Energy and Natural Resources Committee
 - Finance Committee

Majority Leader Harry Reid (NV)



- Served in US House from 1982-1987 and in the Senate since 1987.
- Wants “dramatic overhaul of our nation’s energy policy.”
- Opposed to Yucca Mountain.
- Calls his home state the “Saudi Arabia of renewable energy.”
- Currently pushing for upgrading of transmission lines and green grid.
- Recently said the Senate will consider a combined bill.

Chairman Jeff Bingaman (NM)



- Chairman of Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.
- Elected to Senate in 1982.
- Wants to pass an energy bill this spring – believes it should be separate from climate bill.
- Supports RES, renewable energy, energy efficiency, smart grid, cap and trade.

Chairman Barbara Boxer (CA)



- Chairman of Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee.
- Served in House from 1983-1993 and in Senate since 1993.
- Shepherded a cap and trade bill last year but it failed to pass the Senate.
- Presented “climate principles” and promised cap and trade bill by the end of the year.

What Can You Do?



- You are part of the public policy process!
- Get engaged with your Congressman and Senators. Write them. Call them. Educate them.
- Invite them to visit your facility.
- Become a part of our grassroots Army!
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