

## Pass a Carbon Pricing Bill

The science is clear: climate change is real, is worsened by human activity, and will continue to harm our communities without significant action. Congress has a moral obligation to protect vulnerable communities and seriously address climate change in a bipartisan fashion. Carbon pricing is one of many important policy tools Congress should use to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. As the latest United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report states, "Explicit carbon prices remain a necessary condition of ambitious climate policies."

- » Many economists agree that pricing carbon is the most cost-effective lever to reduce carbon emissions at the scale and speed that is necessary.
- » Emission targets should be set to be in line with the scientific community's recommendations to avoid the catastrophic impacts of climate change. If reduction targets are not met, the price should increase.
- » The legislation must ensure that the costs of a carbon price are not borne by marginalized and low-income communities.
- » Polluters must not move operations to other countries to avoid paying for their emissions.
- » Legislation should include reporting and transparency mechanisms to measure emission levels.

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### Join the Climate Solutions Caucus

#### **House of Representatives**

For too long, partisan conflicts have blocked progress to address climate change. The Climate Solutions Caucus is a bipartisan group of legislators that are committed to advancing climate solutions. The mission of the caucus is to educate members on economically-viable options to reduce climate risk and to explore bipartisan policy options that address the impacts, causes, and challenges of our changing climate. This caucus draws from all political ideologies and is the first bipartisan body of its kind.

- » Congress can be part of the solution to the great challenge of climate change.
- » Climate change affects our health, the economy, national security, the poor and vulnerable, and our future. We can't let partisan differences block progress; this issue can't wait.
- » Members of the caucus acknowledge that, if left unaddressed, the consequences of a changing climate have the potential to adversely affect the health of all Americans and the strength of our economy, consequently imposing substantial costs on both state and federal budgets.
- » Caucus activities include member-only conversations, staff briefings, legislative strategy development, and more.

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