

October Legislation Update

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Big News!!

- ▶ Representative Ruben Gallego (AZ07) has endorsed the Energy Innovation Act (HR 2307)
 - ▶ 86th cosponsor
 - ▶ First cosponsor from Arizona
- ▶ What you can do (non-constituent):
 - ▶ Write a letter to the editor thanking Rep. Gallego for cosponsoring
 - ▶ Write your Representative and ask them to join Rep. Gallego in cosponsoring HR 2307 (O'Halleran, Kirkpatrick, Grijalva)



Other News

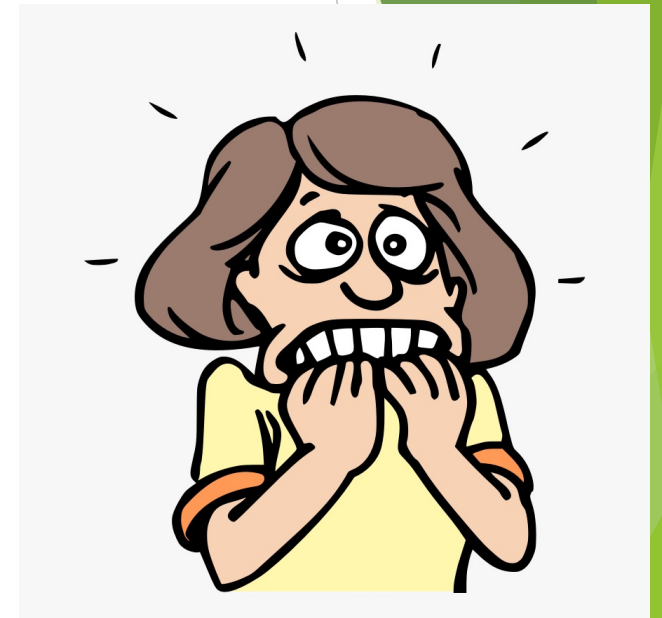
- ▶ Congress is serious about October 31 deadline for action on reconciliation
- ▶ Lots more news about carbon pricing in national media
- ▶ Sen. Manchin has nixed the Clean Energy Performance Program (CEPP)
 - ▶ This has put carbon pricing at front of pack in many ways
 - ▶ Reports on Manchin's remarks that carbon pricing "is not on the table" may be being taken out of context.
 - ▶ For perspective, catch the Danny Richter video at <https://www.facebook.com/CitizensClimateLobby/videos/1078572406012682/>

Other News

- ▶ Administration has given nod to the idea of a carbon price
 - ▶ At White House briefing, Jen Psaki said that “Polluter fees on corporations do not conflict with the \$400,000 pledge (to not raise taxes)”
- ▶ Politico reports that Sen. Sinema is advocating behind the scenes for a price on carbon

What do we do?

- ▶ *Stay calm. We can do this.*
- ▶ We are pushing hard now and we may need to push hard like this again later.
- ▶ A carbon price, even if it is low, can hit our goals
- ▶ You are watching history being made from a front-row seat



Write President Biden

- ▶ Hold the President to his pledge of 50% reductions by 2030
- ▶ Increased focus on the dividend
- ▶ Write the President at <http://cclusa.org/white-house>
- ▶ Now



Getting Arizona Legislators Engaged

- ▶ CCL Arizona is asking sympathetic AZ Senators and Representatives to sign a letter to Arizona's congressional delegation supporting carbon pricing
- ▶ Sen. Victoria Steele and Rep. Andrea Dallasandro have agreed to sign, along with Rep. Mitzi Epstein. Others are sure to sign on.



How You Can Help

- ▶ Republican Legislators will not support the reconciliation package. Efforts to engage them will come later, if needed.
- ▶ If your Senator and Representatives are Democrats, write them and request that they let our Congressional delegation know they support carbon pricing.
- ▶ If your Senator and Representatives are Republicans, instead, write these legislators and ask them to participate
 - ▶ Sen. Jamescita Peshlakai (jpeshlakai@azleg.gov)
 - ▶ Rep. Charlene R. Fernandez (cfernandez@azleg.gov)
 - ▶ Rep. Lisa Otondo (lotondo@azleg.gov)

Suggested Letter

Dear (Rep or Sen) (Name),

Congress is developing important legislation to combat climate change right now. They need to know that Arizonans support action and want strong climate policies that reach Pres. Biden's and IPCC target of 50% reduction in greenhouse gases by 2030.

Carbon pricing with dividends has been identified as an effective way to get those needed reductions and secure our water resources, protect us from excessive heat, and build a vibrant economy for all Arizonans.

Please contact our Congressional delegations and let them know that carbon pricing must be part of any climate change legislation.

Respectfully,