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Subject: Energy Update: House Bill Fails to Solve Energy Crisis

I write today to update you on recent legislative activities in the United States Congress. I appreciate the opportunity to contact you.

The energy bill recently adopted by the House of Representatives fails to solve America's growing energy crisis. Congress lost an opportunity to build a cleaner environment and a stronger economy, focusing instead on regulation instead of innovation.

Is this really the best we can do - raising food prices, raising energy prices, and not doing anything that truly gives us energy independence? Worse for Michigan workers, this bill fails to provide an answer for how we will deal with carbon dioxide and California's attempt to set new auto standards without any concern for vehicle safety or the economic impact of unscientific guidelines.

Unfortunately, this legislation also included energy assistance funds for foreign countries, giving large amounts of assistance to countries like China and India to develop energy technologies, purchase oil, and increase coal plants. In Michigan, the last thing we need is the federal government giving countries like China and India assistance in stealing our jobs.

I recently proposed energy legislation which would address the issue of fuel standards for American-manufactured cars. My measure would require automakers to build more fuel efficient vehicles, invest in alternative fuel research, but also protect Michigan jobs in the transition to a new system that embraces technology.

To read more about how I am working to promote alternative fuels and lower gas prices, please [click here](#).

I appreciate your continued interest in the legislative activities of your U.S. Congress. As always, should you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Mike Rogers
Member of Congress