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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MCKINLEY (for himself, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. ALTMIRE, Mr. COSTELLO, and Mr. CARDOZA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. NO FINALIZATION OF ANY STANDARD OF PER-**
2 **FORMANCE FOR CARBON DIOXIDE EMIS-**
3 **SIONS FROM ANY EXISTING OR NEW FOSSIL**
4 **FUEL-FIRED ELECTRIC UTILITY GENERATING**
5 **UNIT UNTIL COMPLIANCE TECHNOLOGY IS**
6 **FEASIBLE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Envi-
8 ronmental Protection Agency shall not finalize any rule
9 imposing any standard of performance under section 111
10 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7411) for emissions of
11 carbon dioxide from any existing or new source that is
12 a fossil fuel-fired electric utility generating unit unless and
13 until at least 3 of the 4 officials listed in subsection (b)
14 publish in the Federal Register, and submit to the Con-
15 gress, a report finding that carbon capture and storage
16 is technologically and economically feasible for fossil fuel-
17 fired electric utility generating units.

18 (b) LISTED OFFICIALS.—The officials listed in this
19 subsection are—

20 (1) the Administrator of the Energy Informa-
21 tion Administration;

22 (2) the Comptroller General of the United
23 States;

24 (3) the Director of the National Energy Tech-
25 nology Laboratory; and

1 (4) the Under Secretary of Commerce for
2 Standards and Technology.

3 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “exist-
4 ing source” and “new source” have the meanings given
5 such term in section 111(a) of the Clean Air Act (42
6 U.S.C. 7411(a)).

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