



The Domestic Energy and Jobs Act

Overview: The Domestic Energy and Jobs Act is a package of domestic energy production bills that will not only reduce energy costs that hard-working families and small businesses currently face, but also spur badly-needed economic growth and job creation. As part of a Republican energy agenda that embraces a true all-of-the-above approach, this bill will drive a manufacturing renaissance that will be a catalyst to America's overall economic recovery.

Energy Secretary Steven Chu: *"Somehow, we have to figure out how to boost the price of gasoline to the levels in Europe."*

Majority Whip Kevin McCarthy: *"The Obama administration has chosen to reject a domestic energy production agenda that will increase American-made energy and create hundreds of thousands of American-made jobs. Our economic and energy stagnation demands action."*

Topline Talking Points:

- May's abysmal employment report should be a wake-up call to the President and Senate Democrats. They cannot continue to sit on their hands while 13 million Americans remain out of work. The Domestic Energy and Jobs Act will help job creators in the energy industry invest more in American-made energy and American-made jobs. This legislation has the potential to spur the economic growth that will create hundreds of thousands of new jobs and bring down gas prices from the "new normal" of \$3.50 per gallon, the current national average.
- The greatest potential for economic growth in this country can be found in America's energy resources, and while the President is pre-occupied with telling Americans what he won't do on energy, the economy and jobs, House Republicans are showing what we can do.
- By working together, we can empower innovators to harness our domestic energy capabilities using new technologies. This will help put our country back on the road to recovery by creating jobs and growing our economy. With each discovery of American energy comes the immediate need for manufacturers, engineers, leasing specialists, rig operators and more. This is the type of employment demand that will get this country back to work.

Bills Included in Domestic Energy and Jobs Act:

Strategic Energy Production Act of 2012, H.R. 4480 (Rep. Cory Gardner, CO-4)

The Strategic Energy Production Act of 2012 (H.R. 4480) links tapping the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) to increasing energy production on federal lands. If the President releases oil from the SPR, the Administration will be required to develop a plan to lease more federal lands for exploration and production.

Gasoline Regulations Act of 2012, H.R. 4471 (Rep. Ed Whitfield, KY-1)

The Gasoline Regulations Act (H.R. 4471) would require an interagency committee to conduct a cumulative analysis on certain EPA rules and actions that impact the price of gasoline and diesel fuels. It will pause the implementation of the Tier 3 fuel standards, refinery New Source Performance Standards, and ozone standards until six months after the report is submitted to Congress, which should provide for a better understanding of the costs and consequences of these rules.

Planning for American Energy Act of 2012, H.R.4381 (Rep. Scott Tipton, CO-3)

The Planning for American Energy Act of 2012 (H.R. 4381) would require the Secretary of the Interior to establish an all-of-the-above energy program for federal lands by reviewing the nation's energy needs and then establishing goals for federal land energy production to meet those needs from all energy sources, oil, natural gas, coal and renewables.

Providing Leasing Certainty for American Energy Act of 2012, H.R. 4382 (Rep. Mike Coffman, CO-6)

The Providing Leasing Certainty for American Energy Act of 2012 (H.R. 4382) would: 1) require a minimum annual acreage leasing plan that makes available at least 25 percent of the lands open for leasing each year for which there is interest in development and 2) set firm timelines for the Secretary of the Interior to issue leases and adjudicate lease protests. It would also prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from withdrawing leases and adding additional lease stipulations after they have been sold.

Streamlining Permitting of American Energy Act of 2012, H.R. 4383 (Rep. Doug Lamborn, CO-5)

The Streamlining Permitting of American Energy Act (H.R. 4383) would ensure a reliable permitting process to increase American energy production. It would remove government roadblocks and bureaucratic red tape that hinder and delay American energy production and American job creation. It streamlines and reforms the process for energy permitting, once a lease is in hand, to encourage the timely development of our federal onshore oil, natural gas, and renewable resources.

National Petroleum Reserve Alaska Access Act, H.R. 2150 (Rep. "Doc" Hastings, WA-4)

The National Petroleum Reserve Alaska Access Act (H.R. 2150) will create new jobs, support current energy jobs in Alaska, expand American energy production and lower energy costs by ensuring that oil and natural gas resources in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska (NPR) are developed and transported in a timely, efficient manner.

BLM Live Internet Auctions Act, H.R. 2752 (Rep. Bill Johnson, OH-6)

The BLM Live Internet Auctions Act (H.R. 2752) gives the Secretary of the Interior the authority to conduct Internet-based auctions for onshore leases to ensure the best return to the Federal taxpayer, reduce fraud, and secure the leasing process.