



ADVANCING **AMERICAN** FREEDOM

# THE FUTURE OF FREEDOM

UNLEASHING AMERICAN ENERGY

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Advancing American Freedom was founded by Vice President Mike Pence to promote the successful policies of the Trump-Pence administration, defend American families, businesses, and institutions from the onslaught of liberal policies, and develop a positive vision for the future of our country. In 2022, Advancing American Freedom has taken our conservative policy priorities, The Freedom Agenda, far beyond the Beltway through robust advocacy efforts.

Throughout 2022, Advancing American Freedom invested significant resources to highlight the Left's climate radicalism and promote an alternative path: a pro-American energy future. As we begin a new Congress, Advancing American Freedom continues to roll out a new series of legislative recommendations to inscribe the vision and values of The Freedom Agenda into law. We have put forward a policy roadmap for unleashing American energy and will call on the 118th Congress to take up legislation that advances the following policy priorities:



## **ELIMINATE WOKE CAPITAL**

Reverse the Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) rules which threaten companies' access to capital and financial institutions critical to investment, production, and growth and jeopardize Americans' pensions and investments.

## **REJECT CLIMATE MANDATES**

Reject state and federal mandates, such as those banning gasoline-powered vehicles, that eliminate consumers' options, drive up costs, and increase reliance on materials from our foreign adversaries.

## **REPEAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS**

Repeal the regulatory burden established through the legislative agenda of the Biden administration and Congressional Democrats.

## **END CONGRESSIONAL CLIMATE THEATER**

Terminate the House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis and dismantle the systems in place to further the Left's radical agenda on Capitol Hill.

## **EXPEDITE CREATION OF CRITICAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE**

Expedite oil and gas land lease sales and permitting approval to unleash the full potential of American producers and distributors. Approve and expedite the construction of the Keystone XL pipeline and other pipelines critical to increasing the distribution of crude oil.

## **ESTABLISH GLOBAL ENERGY LEADERSHIP**

Restore the United States' status as a global leader in energy production and supply, ending the reliance on foreign adversaries for their energy needs and countering attempts by countries such as China and Russia to exert power by withholding its natural resources.





## INTRODUCE LEGISLATION TO

### **TERMINATE THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS**

The select committee was created to wage war on American energy, and its elimination is long overdue. Congress should not be spending millions of dollars intimidating American energy companies when Americans are begging for energy abundance. Congress already has standing committees to address energy and environmental policy.

### **ELIMINATE ENERGY NEPOTISM AND UNLEASH THE FREE MARKET**

The U.S. government typically spends tens of billions of dollars subsidizing energy production, including inefficient energy sources like wind and solar (e.g., the latter receives more than 100 times as much in taxpayer dollars as oil and natural gas). Under Joe Biden, those subsidies have skyrocketed to hundreds of billions of dollars a year.

Congress should stop giving cronyist energy handouts, eliminate all energy subsidies, and faithfully steward the money of hardworking Americans struggling to afford gas and energy bills.

### **REJECT CALIFORNIA'S CLIMATE MANDATES**

Domestic energy policy should be set by Americans' elected representatives in the United States Congress, not by California lawmakers imposing progressive standards on the rest of the country. California is seeking a special waiver that would empower the state to set vehicle emissions standards for other states across the country. Congress should pass legislation prohibiting the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from granting California a special waiver via the Clean Air Act.

## REINTRODUCE FROM THE 117TH CONGRESS

### **LEASE NOW ACT (S. 4228)**

Requires the Secretary of the Interior to resume onshore and offshore federal oil and gas leasing, requiring the Department of the Interior (DOI) to offer at least 70% of eligible acreage for sale.

*Sponsored by Senator John Barrasso*

### **PROTECTING OUR WEALTH OF ENERGY RESOURCES (POWER) ACT (H.R. 543 / S. 76)**

Blocks the president's ability to ban new energy leases on federal lands without congressional approval.

*Sponsored by Representative Yvette Herrell and Senator Cynthia Lummis*

### **ONSHORE ACT (S. 4229)**

Allows the Secretary of the Interior to delegate to states the exclusive authority to manage the development and production of oil and gas on federal lands within their borders and, if the federal government holds less than a 50% interest in the subsurface minerals, exempts certain operations from permitting and environmental review.

*Sponsored by Senator John Barrasso*



## **STRATEGIC PRODUCTION RESPONSE ACT (H.R. 6235 / S. 3287)**

Limits the president's ability to make further drawdowns from our Strategic Petroleum Reserve, until he has a plan in place to increase domestic production.

*Sponsored by Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers and Senator John Barrasso*

## **REGULATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE IN NEED OF SCRUTINY (REINS) ACT (H.R. 1776 / S. 68)**

Reclaims Congress' constitutional authority to "make all laws" from the sprawling and unaccountable administrative state that has burdened businesses, especially in the energy industry, with arbitrary rules that drive up costs and drive down production.

*Sponsored by Representative Kat Cammack and Senator Rand Paul*

## **ALLIED PARTNERSHIP AND PORT MODERNIZATION ACT (S. 3366)**

Vitalizes our domestic energy production capacity, lowers the cost of port infrastructure projects, and strengthens our strategic military relationships by waiving antiquated portions of the Foreign Dredge Act of 1906 for our NATO allies.

*Sponsored by Senator Mike Lee*

*Advancing American Freedom is also calling on Congress to introduce and pass similar reforms for the Jones Act of 1920, which artificially drives up the cost of transporting LNG and other products across the country*

## **PARIS AGREEMENT CONSTITUTIONAL TREATY ACT (H.R. 376)**

Prohibits the United States' participation in the Paris Agreement and the use of funds to advance its goals, unless the Senate first ratifies it, as required by the Constitution.

*Sponsored by Representative Lauren Boebert*

## **RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL OF THE WOKE 401(K) RULE (H.J.RES. 103 / S.J.RES. 68)**

Repeals the rule issued by the Biden Administration's Department of Labor, which if left unchecked would prioritize the woke Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) policy goals of the Left over retirees' best financial interests.

*Sponsored by Representative Andy Barr and Senator Mike Braun*



## **SAFEGUARDING INVESTMENT OPTIONS FOR RETIREMENT ACT (H.R. 9198)**

Restores the Trump-Pence Administration rule that required retirement account investment managers to act in the best financial interest of their plans' participants, and not jeopardizing Americans' savings by investing them in a woke ESG climate agenda.

*Sponsored by Representative Greg Murphy*

*This legislation is also similar to: Ensuring Sound Guidance Act (H.R. 7151), sponsored by Representative Andy Barr.*

## **NO ESG AT TSP ACT (H.R. 7896 / S. 5000)**

Prohibits the federal government from using the retirement accounts of America's federal employees and public servants to fund the Left's woke ESG priorities.

*Sponsored by Representative Chip Roy and Senator Mike Lee*

“Let us develop the resources of our land, call forth its powers, build up its institutions, promote all its great interests and see whether we also in our day and generation may not perform something worthy to be remembered.”

DANIEL WEBSTER

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