



Standing Committee on Legislation Report to the National Committee

Sunday, December 8, 2019
Birmingham, Alabama

President Harris-Till:

The Standing Committee on Legislation met to consider proposals for the Young Democrats of America to adopt certain legislative positions. The legislative positions recommended by the Committee for consideration are as follows:

1. **HR40 Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans Act** by Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX): **SUPPORT**

Intent/Summary: To establish a National Full Employment Trust Fund to create employment opportunities for the unemployed, and for other purposes.

Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/1000/text>

Status:

Date	All Actions Except Amendments
02/06/2019	Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. Action By: House of Representatives
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02/06/2019	Introduced in House Action By: House of Representatives

2. HR330 Climate Solutions Act Of 2019 by Rep. Ted Lieu (D-CA): **SUPPORT**

Intent/Summary:

Specifically, the Department of Energy (DOE) must promulgate regulations to increase the percentage of electricity sold in the United States that is generated from renewable sources. By 2035, 100% of electricity must be generated from renewable sources.

DOE must also promulgate regulations that set cumulative energy savings targets for retail electric energy and natural gas suppliers. The savings must be achieved through energy efficiency improvements. For electric energy suppliers, the targets must increase from .25% of sales in 2020 to 1.5% of sales in 2025 and each year thereafter through 2030. For natural gas suppliers, the target must increase from .25% of sales in 2020 to .5% of sales in 2025 and each year thereafter through 2030. Each year's savings must be in addition to the previous years' savings. DOE must allow suppliers to achieve the targets through a market-based trading system.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) must promulgate annual emission reduction targets for each of 2030 through 2050 to ensure that U.S. greenhouse gas emissions (1) in 2035 are at least 40% below those in 1990, and (2) in 2050 are at least 80% below those in 1990. The EPA must promulgate final regulations to implement those targets within seven years and review them at least every five years thereafter.

Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/330/text?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%22330%22%5D%7D&r=22&s=1>

Status:

Date	All Actions Except Amendments
01/25/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change. Action By: Committee on Energy and Commerce
01/08/2019	Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. Action By: House of Representatives
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01/08/2019	Introduced in House Action By: House of Representatives

3. HR1000 Jobs for All Act by Rep. Frederica Wilson (D-FL): **SUPPORT**

Intent/Summary: To establish a National Full Employment Trust Fund to create employment opportunities for the unemployed, and for other purposes.

Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/1000/text?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%221000%22%5D%7D&r=64&s=2>

Status:

Date	All Actions Except Amendments
02/06/2019	Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. Action By: House of Representatives
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02/06/2019	Introduced in House Action By: House of Representatives

4. HR1533 Improving Access to Mental Health Act by Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA): **SUPPORT**

Intent/Summary: To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to mental health services under the Medicare program.

Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/1533/text?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%221533%22%5D%7D&r=2&s=3>

Status:

Date	All Actions Except Amendments
03/05/2019	Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. Action By: House of Representatives
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	committee concerned. Action By: House of Representatives
03/05/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. Action By: Committee on Ways and Means
03/05/2019	Introduced in House Action By: House of Representatives

5. **HR1846 End Diaper Need Act of 2019** by Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA): **SUPPORT**

Intent/Summary: To amend the Public Health Service Act to address the increased burden that maintaining the health and hygiene of infants and toddlers places on families in need, the resultant adverse health effects on children and families, and the limited child care options available for infants and toddlers who lack sufficient diapers, and for other purposes.

Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/1846/text?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%221846%22%5D%7D&r=3&s=4>

Status:

Date	All Actions Except Amendments
03/21/2019	Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. Action By: House of Representatives
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03/21/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. Action By: Committee on Ways and Means
03/21/2019	Introduced in House Action By: House of Representatives

6. **H Res 109 [companion: S Res 59: Green New Deal]** by Ocasio - Cortez (D) / Markey (D) Green New Deal: **SUPPORT**

Intent/Summary:

This resolution calls for the creation of a Green New Deal with the goals of

- achieving net-zero greenhouse gas emissions;
- establishing millions of high-wage jobs and ensuring economic security for all;
- investing in infrastructure and industry;
- securing clean air and water, climate and community resiliency, healthy food, access to nature, and a sustainable environment for all; and
- promoting justice and equality.

The resolution calls for accomplishment of these goals through a 10-year national mobilization effort. The resolution also enumerates the goals and projects of the mobilization effort, including

- building smart power grids (i.e., power grids that enable customers to reduce their power use during peak demand periods);
- upgrading all existing buildings and constructing new buildings to achieve maximum energy and water efficiency;
- removing pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation and agricultural sectors;
- cleaning up existing hazardous waste and abandoned sites;
- ensuring businesspersons are free from unfair competition; and
- providing higher education, high-quality health care, and affordable, safe, and adequate housing to all.

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02/12/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
02/12/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States.
02/12/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
02/12/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
02/08/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
02/08/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
02/08/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
02/08/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
02/08/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
02/08/2019	Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change.

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02/07/2019	Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, Education and Labor, Transportation and Infrastructure, Agriculture, Natural Resources, Foreign Affairs, Financial Services, the Judiciary, Ways and Means, and Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
02/07/2019	Introduced in House

Respectfully Submitted,

Dyna K Martinez – Vice Chair and Acting Chair at the YDA Birmingham Meeting