

H. Con. Res. 89 — Expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax would be detrimental to the United States economy (Rep. Scalise, R-LA)

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FLOOR SCHEDULE:

Scheduled for consideration on June 10, 2016, under a closed rule

TOPLINE SUMMARY:

<u>H. Con. Res. 89</u> would express a sense of Congress that a carbon tax would be detrimental to American families and businesses, and would not be in the best interest of the United States.

COST:

No Congressional Budget Office (CBO) estimates is available.

CONSERVATIVE CONCERNS:

There are no substantive concerns.

- Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government? No.
- Encroach into State or Local Authority? No.
- Delegate Any Legislative Authority to the Executive Branch? No.
- Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits? No.

DETAILED SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS:

H. Con. Res. 89 would express a sense of Congress that a carbon tax would be detrimental to American families and businesses, and would not be in the best interest of the United States. According to the findings of the resolution, a carbon tax will increase energy prices, including the price of gasoline, electricity, natural gas, and home heating oil. In addition a carbon tax would impose disproportionate burdens on certain industries, jobs, States, and geographic regions and would further restrict the global competitiveness of the United States. More information from the American Enterprise Institute on the economic impact of a proposed carbon tax can be found here.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

H. Con Res. 89 was introduced on October 29, 2015 and was referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

ADMINISTRATION POSITION:

No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY:

No constitutional authority is available.

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