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Senator Gibbs

Cosponsors: Senators Grendell, Seitz, Buehrer, Cates, Carey, Faber, Harris, Niehaus, Schaffer, Schuring, Hughes, Widener, Patton, Gillmor

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge the Congress of the United States to adopt	1
legislation invalidating regulations of the United	2
States Environmental Protection Agency related to	3
greenhouse gases.	4

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, The Administrator of the United States Environmental	5
Protection Agency has formally issued an endangerment finding in	6
the Federal Register under the federal Clean Air Act regarding six	7
greenhouse gases, including carbon dioxide; and	8
WHEREAS, The Environmental Protection Agency's efforts to	9
regulate carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases under the Clean	10
Air Act without Congressional input represents a clear	11
contravention of the principle of separation of powers; and	12
WHEREAS, The regulation of carbon dioxide and other	13
greenhouse gases has serious implications with respect to the	14
economy of the United States and would likely result in slower or	15
negative economic growth, a loss of competitiveness in the global	16
market, and a reduction of the standard of living of the citizens	17
of the United States; and	18

WHEREAS, At a time when the economy is in a fragile period of19recovery from the most severe recession since the Great20Depression, the unemployment rate exceeds ten per cent, and job21growth has been negligible, it would be unwise to embark upon a22new regulatory scheme that would create serious economic23uncertainty; and24

WHEREAS, There are multiple joint resolutions pending in the 25 Congress, Senate Joint Resolution 26 and House Joint Resolutions 26 76 and 77, that have been introduced by members of both political 27 parties. Those resolutions have been introduced pursuant to 28 provisions of the Congressional Review Act, which authorizes 29 Congress to review every new federal regulation issued by federal 30 agencies and, by passage of a joint resolution, overrule a 31 regulation. The resolutions generally provide that the Congress of 32 the United States disapproves of the rule submitted by the United 33 States Environmental Protection Agency related to the endangerment 34 finding for greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act; now 35 therefore be it 36

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 128th General Assembly 37 of the State of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, strongly urge 38 the Congress to adopt legislation that disapproves of the rule of 39 the United States Environmental Protection Agency related to the 40 endangerment finding for greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act; 41 and be it further 42

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 43 authenticated copies of this resolution to the Speaker and Clerk 44 of the United States House of Representatives, the President Pro 45 Tempore and Secretary of the United States Senate, the members of 46 the Ohio Congressional delegation, and the news media of Ohio. 47