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The House is scheduled to vote on [H. Con. Res. 119](#) tomorrow.

CEI supports the Scalise/McKinley anti-carbon tax resolution, H.Con.Res 119.

Read the coalition letter signed by 41 free-market groups [here](#).

Director of CEI's Center for Energy and Environment [Myron Ebell](#) said the following about the vote:

"Carbon taxes are not a solution to anything except increasing government revenues and control over people. Carbon taxes will raise the cost of electricity, motor fuels, airfares, manufactured products, transporting freight, food, and anything else that uses energy. Nearly every proposed carbon tax proposal includes an automatic escalator, which means even if the tax starts small it will go up every year—ever increasing tax revenues without having to vote for them.

"Carbon taxes remain political poison around the world. Last month, in Ontario, Canada, the ruling Liberal Party after 15 years in office was overwhelmingly defeated by the Progressive Conservatives. New Premier Doug Ford's top campaign promise was to stop the carbon tax in parliament."

CEI Senior Fellow [Marlo Lewis](#) also commented on the vote:

"Policymakers need to remember that affordable energy is vital to the growth and competitiveness of the U.S. economy, and the only way a carbon tax 'works' is by making our most plentiful and reliable energy sources more costly. Since taxes have the power to destroy, a carbon tax has the unique potential to bankrupt the coal, oil, and natural gas industries, which supply 78 percent of all the energy Americans consume.

"Even a 'revenue-neutral' carbon tax does not mean it would be economically-harmless. It would be short-sighted to believe that Washington would enact something as controversial and unpopular as a new tax that would not bring in federal revenues."

>> Read more from Marlo Lewis: "[Carbon Tax: Political Poison for the Conservative Movement](#)."

Read the op-ed by Paul Blair of Americans for Tax Reform in the Washington Examiner at <https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/opinion/stop-trying-to-make-the-carbon-tax-a-thing>.

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