AMENDMENT NO._____ Calendar No._____

Purpose: To express the sense of Congress regarding climate change.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 1st Sess.**

**(no.)** _____

To provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by _____

Viz:

At the end of title V, add the following:

**SEC. 50___. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING CLIMATE CHANGE.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) greenhouse gases are accumulating in the atmosphere at a rate that may cause average temperatures to rise 8 degrees Fahrenheit or more;

(2) the expected rise in average temperatures poses a risk of—

(A) increasing global average air and ocean temperatures;

(B) widespread melting of snow and ice; and

(C) rising global average sea level;

(3) the overwhelming majority of the scientific community is clear that climate change is—

(A) real;

(B) caused by human activity; and

(C) already causing devastating problems in the United States and around the world; and

(4) mandatory steps will be required to move aggressively to transform the energy system of the United States away from fossil fuels to energy efficiency and sustainable energy.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that Congress agrees with the opinion of virtually the entire worldwide scientific community that—

(1) climate change is real;

(2) climate change is caused by human activities;

(3) climate change has already caused devastating problems in the United States and around the world;

(4) a brief window of opportunity exists before the United States and the entire planet suffer irreparable harm; and

(5) it is imperative that the United States transform the energy system of the United States away from fossil fuels and toward energy efficiency and sustainable energy as rapidly as possible.