



ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES

FISCAL YEAR 2026 FACT SHEET

Once again, House Republicans are raising costs for American households, undermining United States' global leadership, and weakening our national security. Their 2026 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies appropriations bill jeopardizes energy independence, yielding American leadership of the world's energy future to China. Their extreme proposal furthers Republicans' constant attempts to cut programs that help hardworking families and confront the climate crisis. **Instead of working with Democrats to lower prices and invest in technology that promotes our energy independence, House Republicans are proposing a bill that raises energy costs for families and businesses and eliminates good-paying jobs.**

Increases Energy Costs, Jeopardizes Energy Independence, and Hurts U.S. Competitiveness

- Slashes the Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy programs by \$1.6 billion or 47 percent, eliminating resources that provide for clean, affordable, and secure energy and ensure American leadership in the transition to a global clean energy economy. A state-by-state fact sheet on this cut can be found [here](#).
- Revokes \$5.1 billion of Bipartisan Infrastructure Law resources from the Department of Energy's programs that support hydrogen, direct air capture, carbon dioxide transportation infrastructure, battery recycling, and energy improvements in public schools.
- Eliminates funding for the Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations that delivers clean energy demonstration projects at scale in partnership with the private sector to accelerate deployment and market adoption.

Weakens National Security and Leaves Americans More Vulnerable to Nuclear Threats

- Cuts the National Nuclear Security Administration's Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation account by \$412 million or 17 percent, curtailing programs that help the U.S. stop the spread of nuclear weapons, detect hidden nuclear activities, and support arms control efforts that keep the country and the world safer.

Abandons Commitments to Clean Up Radioactive Waste in Communities Across the Country

- Eliminates funding for the Corps of Engineers' Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program, which is responsible for cleaning up sites with contamination resulting from the nation's early atomic energy program.
- Cuts the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management by \$779 million or 9 percent, slowing down clean-up efforts that address the nation's environmental legacy from the Manhattan Project through the end of the Cold War.

Includes Harmful, Divisive Policies with No Place in Funding Bills

- Continues Republicans' efforts to fill their funding bills with harmful policy "riders" that allow firearms on Corps of Engineers' public lands, prohibit all major regulatory actions, allow for LGBTQI+ discrimination, aim to eliminate the use of pride flags, prohibit funds for programs that support diversity and equity, and much more.