

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 CONCURRENT
3 RESOLUTION NO. 1035

By: Thompson, Martin (Steve),
Moore, Reynolds, Liebmann,
McDaniel (Randy), Sanders,
Duncan, Tibbs and Kern of
the House

5 and

6 Bingman of the Senate

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10 A Concurrent Resolution opposing the implementation
11 of a cap-and-trade system on greenhouse gas
emissions; and directing distribution.

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14 WHEREAS, cap-and-trade or emission trading is an administrative
15 approach used to control pollution by providing economic incentives
16 for achieving reduction in the emissions of pollutants; and

17 WHEREAS, President Obama has proposed implementing an economy-
18 wide cap-and-trade program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by
19 eighty percent (80%) by the year 2050; and

20 WHEREAS, on March 31, 2009, Congressmen Henry A. Waxman and
21 Edward J. Markey released a draft of the American Clean Energy and
22 Security Act of 2009 which includes language implementing a cap-and-
23 trade system; and

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1 WHEREAS, the cap-and-trade plans being proposed would impose
2 controls on emissions of greenhouse gases by entities that emit the
3 gases, including the power industry and manufacturing industry,
4 which would mean that the additional costs would likely be passed on
5 to the consumer of the energy product being produced; and

6 WHEREAS, implementing a national cap-and-trade system will in
7 effect impose an additional tax on every sector of the economy that
8 directly emits a capped emission, including the industrial sector,
9 electricity generation sector, transportation sector, and
10 residential and commercial sectors; and

11 WHEREAS, the cap-and-trade proposals not only burden every
12 American with a huge new energy tax, but will inevitably lead to the
13 loss of jobs due to the forced carbon mandates on every sector of
14 the economy; and

15 WHEREAS, proposed amendments to the Clean Air Act included in
16 the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 would authorize a
17 person to sue who has suffered or expects to suffer harm
18 attributable to a failure to cap emissions which could lead to an
19 explosion of climate-related litigation that may cause many energy
20 producers not to be able to stay in business; and

21 WHEREAS, the cap-and-trade proposals create a host of new
22 federal mandates leading to excessive regulation and more government
23 intrusion into every industry that emits greenhouse gases.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
3 CONCURRING THEREIN:

4 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature opposes the implementation of a
5 cap-and-trade system on greenhouse gas emissions as proposed by the
6 President of the United States and as proposed in the draft of the
7 American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, and urges Congress
8 not to enact this or similar legislation that may be proposed in the
9 future.

10 THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the President
11 of the United States, President Pro Tempore of the United States
12 Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives,
13 and the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation.

14 Adopted by the House of Representatives the 12th day of May,
15 2009.

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Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

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20 Adopted by the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2009.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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