

# Joint Work Group

December 10, 2025



**CARBON CAPTURE  
COALITION**

# Agenda

## Welcome/Housekeeping

- 501c4: Carbon Capture Impact
- CCC Staff Changes
- Class VI Work Group

## KDCR Presentation: EOY and 2026 Outlook

## EPA GHGRP Repeal Updates

- Finalizing Interim Model Guidance
- Advocacy

## FY2026 Appropriations

- Overview of Senate E&W bill

## Miscellaneous Updates

- SBTi – Capture Rates
- CCC Letter to PHMSA

# Housekeeping

## Carbon Capture Impact

- Beginning January 2026: all legislative work will be done through Carbon Capture Impact
  - Communications regarding legislation and advocacy will come from CCI-branded emails, including any interactions with Madelyn
- **Companies: Please complete the CCI survey to confirm your company size by end-of-year to ensure continuity in participation**

## Staff changes

- Leo Duke's last day is Friday, December 12
- Please direct all inquiries that you would reach out to Leo to remaining Coalition staff

## Class VI Work Group

- Work Group met for the second time last week
- Next meeting: January (third week) – group will receive a calendar hold shortly





# Carbon Capture Coalition: 2026 Outlook

Prepared by KDCR Partners

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# 2025 in Review



# Lay of the Land

	Bills Signed into Law*	Executive Orders
Trump (2025)	47	217*
Biden (2021)	180	162**
Trump (2017)	198	220**
Obama (2013)	133	277**
Obama (2009)	155	

\*between inauguration and December 4, 2025

\*\*total

- **Republican** control of House, Senate, and White House
- **Second-term President** with more efficient, coordinated team
- Significant **reshaping and leveraging of authorities** within the Executive Branch
- Legislative agenda thus far largely shaped by **partisan priorities and processes**
- Unprecedented amount of **political noise**



# 2025 in Review

## Trump Administration

- 217 Executive Orders
  - Energy Dominance
  - Artificial Intelligence Dominance
    - AI Action Plan
  - Deregulation
  - DOGE
  - MAHA
- Focus on trade and tariffs
- Government Restructuring and Bureaucracy Cuts
- Immigration and Border Enforcement

## Congress

- On July 4, 2025, the OBBBA, which extended the 2017 tax cuts, increased spending in priority areas, and enacted spending cuts in safety net programs, was signed into law
- Senate focus on judicial and executive nominations
- Full-year continuing resolution for FY25 appropriations; FY26 fiscal year began with longest shutdown in American history
- \*Historically low rate of passing bills
- Rare instances of bipartisanship (GENIUS Act, Laken-Riley Act, SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Reauthorization Act)



# Polling and Fast Stats

- State of the Union
  - President Trump Job Approval: 42.4% Approve\*
  - Direction of Country: 36.1% Right Direction\*
  - Republican Party: -12.8% Unfavorable\*
  - Democratic Party: -22.9% Unfavorable\*
- CPI-U increased 3.0% on an annual basis in September 2025\*\*
- January - December Unemployment Rate: 4.0% → 4.4%

\*Real Clear Polling

\*\*Most recent data published

Consumer Price Index Inflation  
September 2024 to September 2025

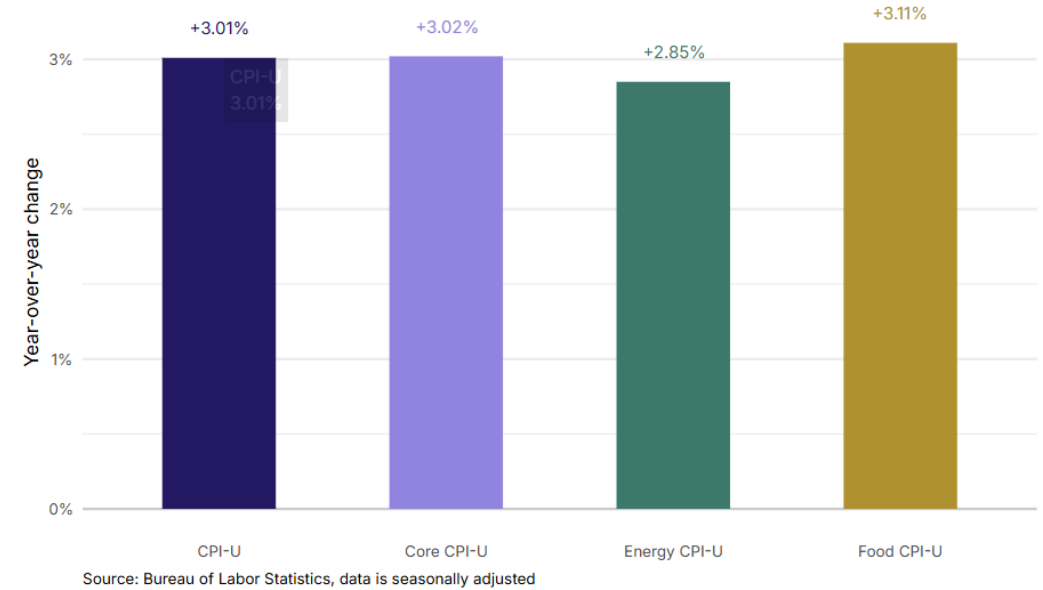
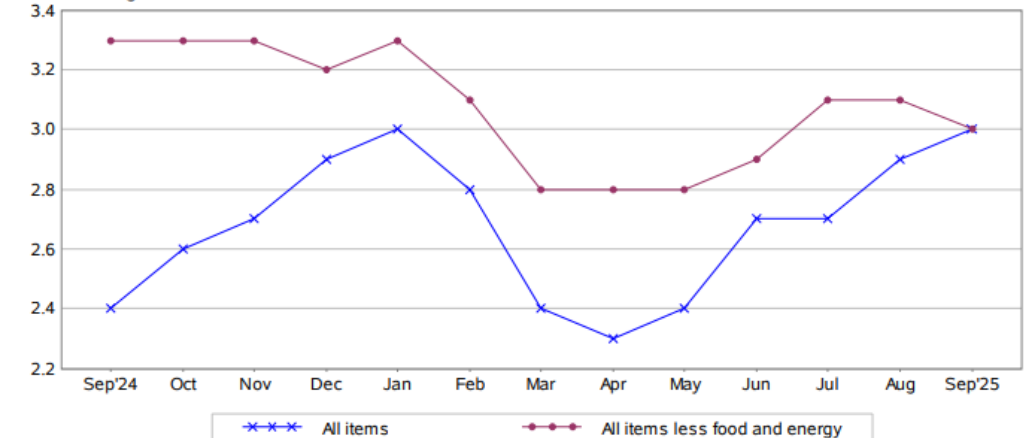


Chart 2. 12-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, Sep. 2024 - Sep. 2025





# Looking Ahead to 2026





# Trump Administration Priorities

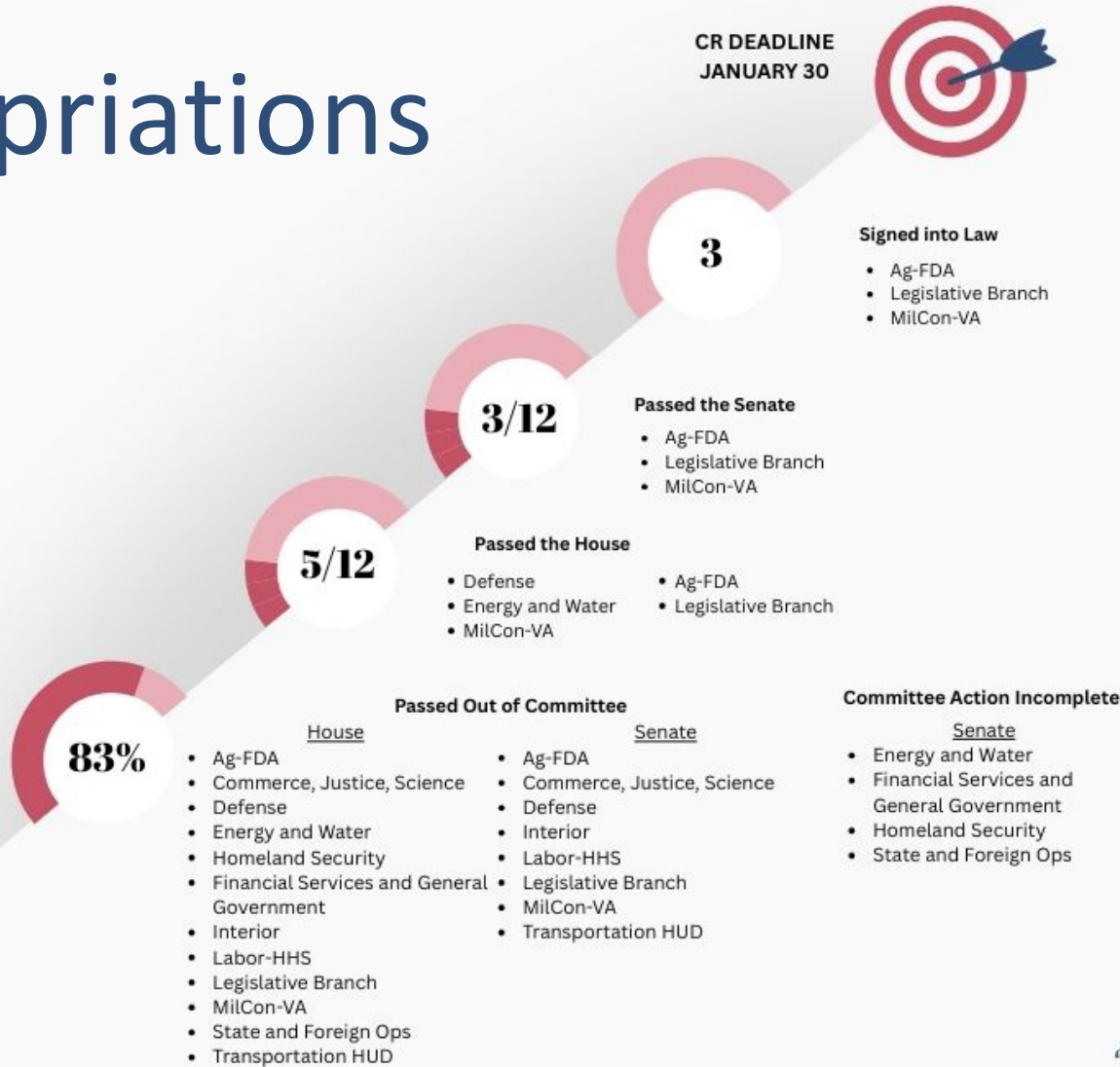
- Bilateral trade negotiations and ongoing tariff threats/leverage, both broad-based and industry specific
  - Review of the USMCA
  - Diplomatic efforts to resolve global conflicts
  - Drive U.S. leadership in Artificial Intelligence
  - Emphasis on U.S. energy dominance and infrastructure investment, including permitting reform, domestic critical mineral production, priorities in surface transportation reauthorization
  - Broad deregulation agenda
  - Highlight successes on key issues, including border security, crime and public safety, culture
  - Implement the One Big Beautiful Bill Act
  - Mid-term messaging on economic and cultural wins; focus on cost of living and 'affordability'
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# What We're Watching in Congress

- Fiscal Year 2026
    - Current CR expires on January 30, 2025
    - Health policies and other extenders expire on January 30, 2025
  - Permitting Reform
  - Tax, Trade, and Tariffs
    - Interest in Reconciliation 2.0
  - Health
    - Extension of enhanced premium tax credits
    - Drug pricing and supply chain reforms
  - Tech and Transportation
    - AI race, data center deployment
    - Privacy & online safety
    - Reauthorization of the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015
    - Surface transportation reauthorization
  - Ag and Nutrition
    - Farm Bill extension
    - Response/engagement on MAHA agenda
  - Fiscal Year 2027
    - Appropriations bills
    - NDAA
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# FY26 Appropriations Status



\*A Republican-backed topline has been struck, or is within reach, for each of these bills: Commerce-Justice-Science, Financial Services, Homeland Security, Interior-Environment, State-Foreign Operations and Transportation-HUD.

\*The Senate Appropriations Committee has yet to complete full committee consideration of its FY26 Energy and Water Development; Financial Services and General Government; Homeland Security; and State and Foreign Operations appropriations bills. At this point in the year, we do not expect these bills to be marked up in the committee.



# 2026 Midterm Elections





# 2026 Primary Calendar

## 03 March

Mar. 3 Arkansas \*3/31  
North Carolina \*5/12  
Texas \*5/16

Mar. 10 Mississippi \*4/7

Mar. 17 Illinois

## 04 April

Apr. 18 Louisiana \*5/30

## 05 May

May 5 Indiana  
Ohio

May 15 Nebraska  
West Virginia

May 19 Georgia  
Idaho  
Kentucky  
Oregon  
Pennsylvania  
Alabama \*6/26

## 06 June

Jun. 2 California  
Iowa  
Montana  
New Jersey  
New Mexico  
South Dakota \*7/28

Jun. 9 Maine  
Nevada  
North Dakota  
South Carolina \*6/23

Jun. 16 Oklahoma  
Virginia

Jun. 23 Maryland  
New York  
Utah

Jun. 30 Colorado

## Special Elections

*TX-18* General: Nov. 4, 2025  
Runoff: Jan. 31, 2026

*NJ-11* Primary: Feb. 5, 2026  
General: Apr. 16, 2026

*GA-14* TBD

## 08 August

Aug. 4 Arizona  
Kansas  
Michigan  
Missouri  
Washington

Aug. 6 Tennessee

Aug. 8 Hawaii

Aug. 11 Connecticut  
Minnesota  
Vermont  
Wisconsin

Aug. 18 Alaska  
Florida  
Wyoming

## 09 September

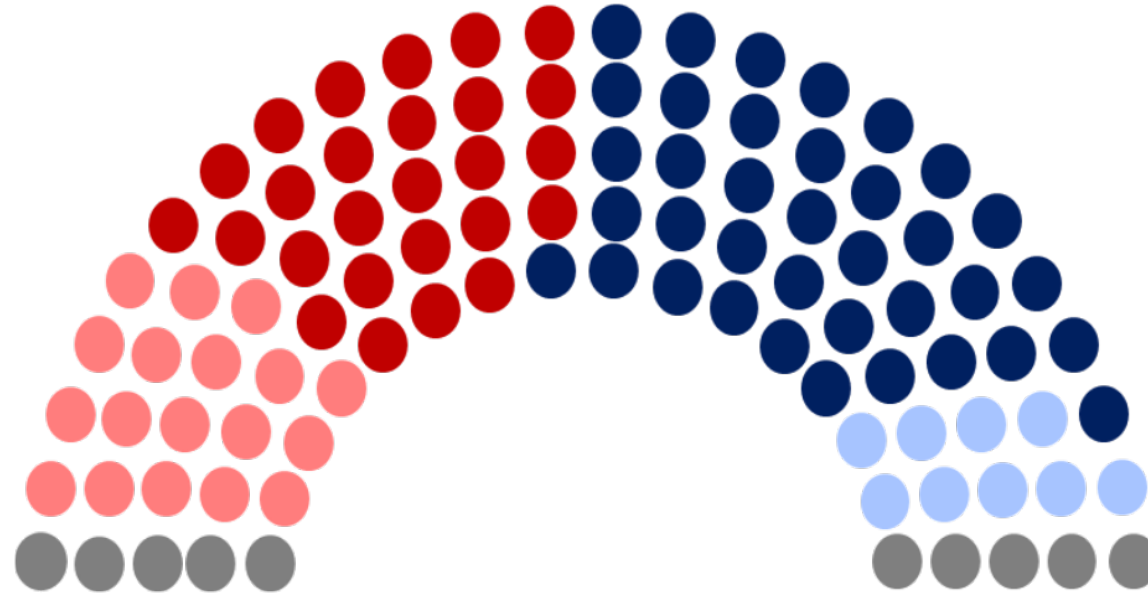
Sept. 8 New Hampshire  
Rhode Island

Sept. 15 Delaware  
Massachusetts

\* Runoff dates  
As of December 3, 2025

# Changing Landscape 2026

## Senate (53-47<sup>#</sup>)



### Senators Whose Terms End Jan. 2026

#### ● Republicans (22)

- Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV)
- Bill Cassidy (R-LA)
- Susan Collins (R-ME)
- John Cornyn (R-TX)
- Tom Cotton (R-AR)
- Steve Daines (R-MT)
- Joni Ernst (R-IA)
- Lindsey Graham (R-SC)
- Bill Hagerty (R-TN)
- Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-MS)
- Jon Husted (R-OH)
- Cynthia Lummis (R-WY)
- Roger Marshall (R-KS)
- Mitch McConnell (R-KY)
- Ashley Moody (R-FL)
- Markwayne Mullin (R-OK)
- Pete Ricketts (R-NE)
- Jim Risch (R-ID)
- Mike Rounds (R-SD)
- Dan Sullivan (R-AK)
- Thom Tillis (R-NC)
- Tommy Tuberville (R-AL)\*

#### ● Democrats (13)

- Cory Booker (D-NJ)
- Chris Coons (D-DE)
- Dick Durbin (D-IL)
- John Hickenlooper (D-CO)
- Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM)
- Ed Markey (D-MA)
- Jeff Merkley (D-OR)
- Jon Ossoff (D-GA)
- Gary Peters (D-MI)
- Jack Reed (D-RI)
- Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)
- Tina Smith (D-MN)
- Mark Warner (D-VA)

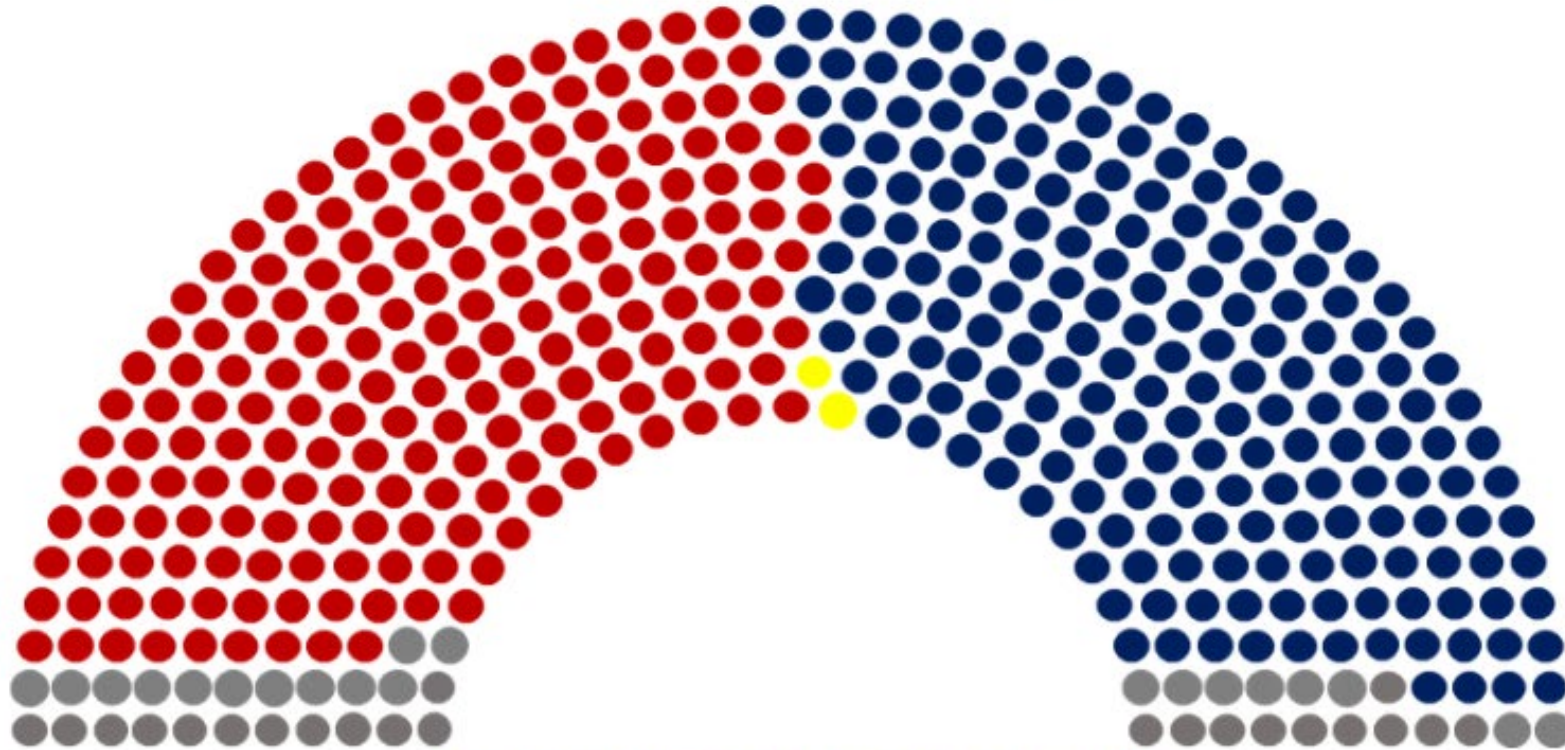
### ● Incumbents Retiring or Not Running for Re-election (5R, 5D)

- Marsha Blackburn (R-TN)\*
- Joni Ernst (R-IA)
- Mitch McConnell (R-KY)
- Thom Tillis (R-NC)
- Tommy Tuberville (R-AL)\*
- Michael Bennet (D-CO)\*
- Dick Durbin (D-IL)
- Gary Peters (D-MI)
- Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)
- Tina Smith (D-MN)

# Includes two Independents who caucus with Democrats  
\* Running for governor  
As of November 24, 2025

# Changing Landscape 2026

## House (220-213, 2V)



● Incumbents Retiring or Not Running for Re-election

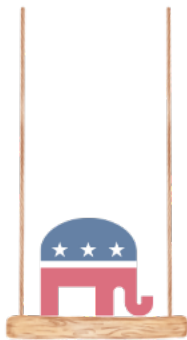
### Republicans (24)

- Jodey Arrington (R-TX)
- Don Bacon (R-NE)
- Andy Barr (R-KY)<sup>†</sup>
- Andy Biggs (R-AZ)<sup>\*</sup>
- Buddy Carter (R-GA)<sup>†</sup>
- Mike Collins (R-GA)<sup>†</sup>
- Byron Donalds (R-FL)<sup>†</sup>
- Randy Feenstra (R-IA)<sup>\*</sup>
- Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA)
- Ashley Hinson (R-IA)<sup>†</sup>
- Wesley Hunt (R-TX)<sup>†</sup>
- John James (R-MI)<sup>\*</sup>
- Dusty Johnson (R-SD)<sup>\*</sup>
- Morgan Luttrell (R-TX)
- Nancy Mace (R-SC)<sup>\*</sup>
- Michael McCaul (R-TX)
- Barry Moore (R-AL)<sup>†</sup>
- Troy E. Nehls (R-TX)
- Ralph Norman (R-SC)<sup>\*</sup>
- John Rose (R-TN)<sup>\*</sup>
- Chip Roy (R-TX)<sup>^</sup>
- David Schweikert (R-AZ)<sup>\*</sup>
- Elise Stefanik (R-NY)<sup>\*</sup>
- Tom Tiffany (R-WI)<sup>\*</sup>

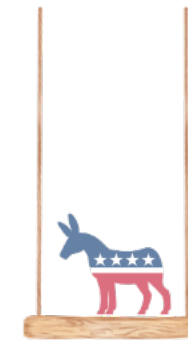
### Democrats (18)

- Angie Craig (D-MN)<sup>†</sup>
- Jasmine Crockett (D-TX)<sup>†</sup>
- Danny Davis (D-IL)
- Dwight Evans (D-PA)
- Chuy Garcia (D-IL)
- Jared Golden (D-ME)
- Robin Kelly (D-IL)<sup>†</sup>
- Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL)<sup>†</sup>
- Seth Moulton (D-MA)<sup>†</sup>
- Jerry Nadler (D-NY)
- Chris Pappas (D-NH)<sup>†</sup>
- Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)
- Jan Schakowsky (D-IL)
- Mikie Sherrill (D-NJ)<sup>\*</sup>
- Haley Stevens (D-MI)<sup>†</sup>
- Eric Swalwell (D-CA)<sup>\*</sup>
- Nydia Velázquez (D-NY)
- Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-NJ)

● Vacant (2D)  
<sup>\*</sup>Running for governor  
<sup>†</sup>Running for U.S. Senate  
<sup>^</sup>Running for TX attorney general  
 As of December 8, 2025



# 2026 “Swingiest” Districts



## Republicans in Districts Won by Harris in 2024

- | House  | Senate   |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Seat (NE-2)</li> <li>• Michael Lawler (NY-17)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Susan Collins (ME)</li> </ul> |

## Democrats in Districts Won by Trump in 2024

- | House   | Senate  |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Josh Harder (CA-9)</li> <li>• Adam Gray (CA-13)</li> <li>• Jared Golden (ME-2)</li> <li>• Kristen McDonald Rivet (MI-8)</li> <li>• Don Davis (NC-1)</li> <li>• Nellie Pou (NJ-9)</li> <li>• Gabriel Vasquez (NM-2)</li> <li>• Susie Lee (NV-3)</li> <li>• Tom Suozzi (NY-3)</li> <li>• Marcy Kaptur (OH-9)</li> <li>• Henry Cuellar (TX-28)</li> <li>• Vicente Gonzalez (TX-34)</li> <li>• Marie Perez (WA-3)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jon Ossoff (GA)</li> <li>• Open Seat (MI)</li> </ul> |

### Fast Facts



6% of House Democrats are running in districts Trump won in 2024.



Less than 1% of House Republicans are running in districts Harris won in 2024.



Only one Senate Republican is running in a state that Harris won in 2024—Susan Collins (R-ME).



Only two contested seats held by Senate Democrats are in states Trump won in 2024—Georgia and Michigan.



# CCC GHGRP Updates

- **Finalizing interim guidance to Treasury:**

- IRS publicly stated today that they intend to release guidance by EOY (Tax Notes article)
- CCC endorsing interim guidance and submitting to IRS/Treasury with allied stakeholder group, the Carbon Utilization Research Council (CURC)

## Advocacy Update:

- Continued **positive** engagement with members of:
  - Senate Energy and Natural Resources
  - Senate Finance Committee
  - Senate Environment and Public Works
  - House Energy & Commerce
  - House Ways & Means
  - House Natural Resources
- Momentum building to codify GHGRP in statute; Coalition engaging in various conversations

# FY2026 Appropriations

## Office of Fossil Energy (FE) Proposed Funding

Coal and Carbon Utilization	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 President's Budget Request	FY2026 House Bill	FY2026 Senate Bill	FY2025 Actual vs FY2026 Senate Bill
Point-Source Carbon Capture	\$100,000,00	\$50,000,000	\$65,000,000	\$100,000,000	--
Carbon Dioxide Removal	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$15,000,000	\$72,000,000	+72,000,000
Carbon Utilization	\$52,500,000	\$30,000,000	\$35,000,000	\$52,000,000	-\$500,000
Carbon Transport & Storage	\$92,000,000	\$50,000,000	\$50,000,000	\$83,700,000	-\$9,300,000
Advanced Energy Systems (formerly Hydrogen with Carbon Management)	\$85,000,000	\$75,000,000	\$85,000,000	\$85,000,000	--
CM Policy, Analysis & Engagement	\$0	--	--		--
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$329,500,000	\$209,000,000	\$250,000,000	\$393,200,000	+63,700,000

# Miscellaneous Updates



**Coalition letter to PHMSA  
underscoring importance of  
updating pipeline safety  
regulations**



**SBTi – Carbon Capture Rates**

# Public Consultation of SBTi's CNZS V2.0 Draft

- Science-Based Target Initiative (SBTi)'s standards are a well-respected framework with companies around the world widely setting science-based targets based on SBTi's Corporate Net-Zero Standard (CNZS).
- Science-Based Target Initiative (SBTi) opened public consultation from *November 6, 2025, until December 12, 2025, at 11:59 PM PT*, inviting stakeholders to provide feedback on the **revised Corporate Net-Zero Standard Version 2.0 Draft**.
- **Coalition is making comments on questions relevant to eligibility of low-carbon electricity for Scope 2 target setting.**



# Areas of Concern

**CNZS-C16.** Companies shall implement scope 2 targets using measures that are eligible under the applicable target-setting approach and satisfy quality criteria.

**C16.1. Eligible low-carbon electricity:** Electricity generated with direct GHG emissions equal to or less than 0.024 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh shall be considered as low-carbon<sup>26</sup>.

- A sub-criterion (**C16.1**) under one of the criteria to set the Scope 2 target (**CNZS-C16**) defines eligible low-carbon electricity as electricity generated with direct GHG emissions equal to or less than 0.024 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh based on the estimate of **a natural gas CCS plant with a 95% capture rate**.
- **Does not define if it is the capture rate at the EGU or the plant.**
- **Coalition is concerned that the low-carbon electricity threshold is based on a 95% capture rate, which reflects optimal technological capability but not necessarily economic viability or operational realities.**



# Thank You!

For any questions, please reach out to Coalition Staff



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