

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Steve Scalise
Majority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tom Emmer
Majority Whip
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Speaker Johnson, Leader Scalise, and Whip Emmer:

We write to urge House Leadership to bring H.R. 3699, the Energy Choice Act, to the House floor for consideration as soon as possible. The recent decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit to uphold New York's All-Electric Buildings Act underscores the urgent need for congressional action to protect Americans' ability to choose how they power their homes and businesses.

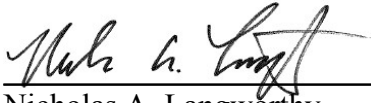
For New Yorkers, the ruling clears the way for one of the nation's most sweeping building electrification mandates—one that threatens to increase construction costs, limit consumer energy choice, and place additional demand on an electric grid that the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) has repeatedly warned faces growing reliability risks. In its most recent reliability assessments, NYISO found that violations of required grid reliability standards could emerge as early as 2026 in New York City, 2027 on Long Island, and 2030 in the Lower Hudson Valley as electricity demand increases, generators retire, and transmission constraints continue to strain the grid. The assessments also conclude that New York will need several thousand megawatts of new dispatchable generation over the next decade to maintain reliability.

This is not simply an energy policy issue—it is also an affordability, housing, and electric reliability issue affecting millions of New Yorkers. The Energy Choice Act offers a commonsense solution. It does not require anyone to use a particular fuel source—it simply ensures that state and local governments cannot prohibit consumers from accessing lawful energy sources delivered through interstate commerce. At a time when New Yorkers are already facing some of the nation's highest electricity prices and an ongoing affordability crisis, Congress should protect consumer choice rather than allow blanket energy bans to become the national model.

This case is about far more than New York. If one of the nation's most aggressive building electrification mandates can move forward under current federal law, other states and municipalities will almost certainly view this decision as a roadmap for similar mandates. Without congressional action, New York's policy risks becoming the first in a wave of state-led efforts to restrict consumer energy choice, replacing a diverse, reliable energy mix with one-size-fits-all mandates regardless of local grid conditions, infrastructure constraints, or affordability concerns. Acting now will not only protect New Yorkers—it will help prevent similar mandates from taking hold across the country.

We respectfully urge House Leadership to schedule the Energy Choice Act for floor consideration at the earliest opportunity. The Second Circuit's decision makes clear that if Congress wishes to preserve energy choice for American families and businesses, it must act now.

Sincerely,



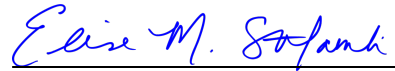
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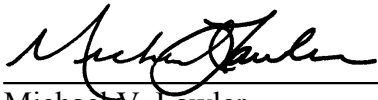
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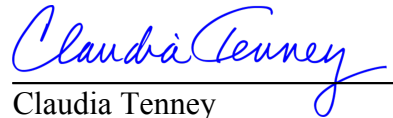
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