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VOTE NO ON S.J.Res.27 PAUL RESOLUTION

S.J.Res.27 would vitiate EPA's ability under the Clean Air Act to effectively safeguard against interstate transport of soot and smog-forming pollution from power plants. This resolution ends the Obama Administration efforts to reduce power plant pollution and improve air quality for over 240 million Americans and could undermine existing protections established by the Bush Administration.

The American People – Including a Majority of Republicans – Trust Experts at EPA, Not Congress to Establish Cross-State Air Pollution Safeguards: “...not only do voters overwhelmingly support the EPA’s clean air rules, they firmly believe EPA should be allowed to do its job without interference from Congress.” [Geoff Garin, [President - Hart Research Associates](#)]

- 88% of Democrats, 85% of Independents, and 58% of Republicans oppose Congress stopping the EPA from enacting new limits on air pollution from electric power plants.
- 67% of voters support the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule.
- 65% of voters surveyed are confident that the health and environmental benefits of air pollution standards outweigh the costs of complying with them.
- 79% of voters agree that the rules are important to enact for health reasons.
- 75% of voters believe a compelling reason to implement these rules is the boost to local economies and thousands of new jobs that will be created from investments in new technology.

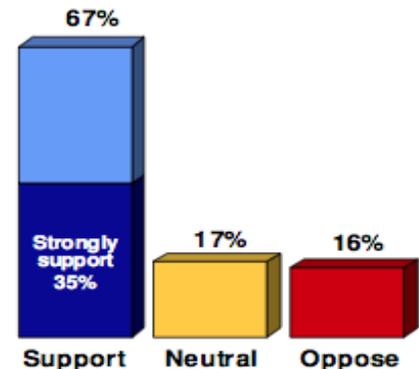
Annual State by State Benefits:

<http://democrats.senate.gov/pdfs/CSAPR%20Benefitstable%20-%20EPA.xls>

The Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR) Will Provide Cleaner Air for Millions of Americans, Spur Job Growth and Yield Hundreds of Billions of Dollars in Annual Health and Environmental Benefits:

- The Cross-State Air Pollution Rule will improve air quality for over 240 million Americans. By 2014, EPA estimates CSAPR will yield \$120 to \$280 billion in annual health and environmental benefits which far outweighs the \$800 million in annual projected costs of this rule and the \$1.6 billion already invested under the Bush Administration’s Clean Air Interstate Rule. [[EPA](#)]
- Even more, the University of Massachusetts’ Political Economy Research Institute (PERI) estimates that when combined with the proposed MACT safeguard, EPA’s two new air quality rules will create nearly 1.5 million jobs, or nearly 300,000 jobs a year on average over the next 5 years. [[Ceres](#)]

Support for CSAPR



Source: [Hart Research and GS Strategy Group](#)

Estimated Annual # of Adverse Health Effects Avoided	
Health Effect	# of Cases Avoided
Premature mortality	13,000 to 34,000
Non-fatal heart attacks	15,000
Hospital and emergency room visits	19,000
Acute bronchitis	19,000
Upper and lower respiratory symptoms	420,000
Aggravated asthma	400,000
Days when people miss work or school	1.8 million

EPA Has Worked With Industry to Ease Their Concerns About the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule:

- “Under the EPA proposal, 10 of the 27 states affected by the rule will be allowed to emit more pollution than previously allowed. Also, all of the states would have until 2014, rather than 2012, before any associated penalties kick in.” [Wall Street Journal, [10/07/2011](#)]