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As your Member of Congress, I am working to deliver thoughtful and innovative action on climate change to protect public health, and clean air and clean water; advance green technology and a green economy; and pass on a healthy and sustainable future for our children.

This year, the House has held over 80 hearings on the climate crisis, examining how to combat climate change, build a more resilient infrastructure, and boost the clean energy sector and creation of jobs. I support the Congressional Select Committee on Climate Crisis, which has been tasked with holding numerous hearings in which all stakeholders can properly address the dangerous cost of reversing environmental policies and ignoring climate change. The Committee will also investigate the cost of implementing long-term solutions to fight against climate change.

I have authored, introduced, and cosponsored multiple pieces of legislation that block oil drilling in our oceans and public lands, cut carbon emissions, and protect our pristine environment on the Central Coast.

Legislation that Congressman Panetta has crafted and introduced

- Stopping Oil Drilling on our Public Lands: Introduced the California Central Coast Conservation Act, H.R. 5303, to stop new oil exploration and drilling on the Central Coast, after the Administration's repeated efforts and orders to open public lands to drilling.
- Cutting Carbon Emissions: Introduced the Climate Action Rebate Act, **H.R. 4051**, to reduce U.S. carbon emissions by 55% within a decade, while also creating jobs, rebuilding our nation's infrastructure, and spurring innovation in clean energy.
- Promoting Clean Energy Technology: Introduced the Clean Energy Production Parity Act, **H.R. 2040**, bipartisan legislation will spur investment in linear generators, a next-generation green technology.
- Protecting the Paris Climate Agreement: The House adopted Congressman Panetta's amendment to the Climate Action Now Act, **H.R. 9**, which prohibits federal funds from being used to withdraw the United States from the landmark Paris Climate Agreement. This was the first climate-change bill to pass the House in a decade.
- Creating Centers on Climate Change at Coastal Colleges and Universities: Introduced the Coastal Resilience Research and Education Act, H.R. 5102, to formalize and enhance existing collaborations and partnerships between public institutions of higher education and federal agencies to build resilient coastal communities, while advancing climate science research and education.
- Investing in Green Public Transportation: Introduced the Green Bus Tax Credit Act, **H.R. 5163**, legislation to promote sustainable transportation networks by making electric and hydrogen fuel-cell buses more affordable.
- Making it Cheaper to be Sustainable: Successfully advocated for the inclusion of the Clean Energy Production Parity Act and Green Bus Tax Credit Act in the Ways and Means Committee's **Growing Renewable Energy and Efficiency Now (GREEN) Act**, prioritizing tax incentives to boost renewable energy production and increase energy efficiency to reduce our carbon footprint.

Legislation the Congressman Panetta has cosponsored and supported

• The House passed and the President signed into law the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act, a conservation and public lands package that includes permanent reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF).

- Cosponsored the Green New Deal, H.Res. 109, to support the goal of addressing net-zero greenhouse
 gas emissions while establishing high-wage jobs, investing in infrastructure, and promoting justice and
 equality.
- Cosponsored **H.R. 5221**, to set a nationwide goal of achieving a 100 percent clean energy economy by 2050.
- Cosponsored **H.R. 1941**, to establish a permanent moratorium on oil and gas leasing along and Pacific and Atlantic oceans.
- Cosponsored H.R. 205, to extend indefinitely the existing moratorium on offshore oil and gas development in the eastern Gulf of Mexico off the Florida coast.
- Cosponsored H.R. 1146, to repeal provisions of the 2017 tax overhaul law that provides for the leasing of federal lands in Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and production.
- Cosponsored H.R. 3225, to restore community input and public protections in oil and gas leasing.
- Cosponsored H.R. 309, to prohibit the Department of the Interior from issuing or renewing a lease for the exploration, development, or production of oil and natural gas in the Arctic Ocean.
- Cosponsored H.R. 310, to prohibit the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management from issuing leases for the exploration, development, or production of oil and natural gas off the coast of California, Oregon, or Washington.
- Cosponsored H.R. 341, to prohibit the Department of the Interior from issuing a lease or other authorization for the exploration, development, or production of oil, natural gas, or any other mineral in the Mid-Atlantic, South Atlantic, North Atlantic, Straits of Florida, or Eastern Gulf of Mexico planning areas.
- Cosponsored H.R. 2748, to establish an integrated national approach to respond to ongoing and expected effects of extreme weather and climate change by protecting, managing, and conserving fish, wildlife and plants.
- Cosponsored H.R. 1880, to establish a Federal Interagency Working Group on Women and Climate Change within the Department of State.
- Cosponsored H.R. 4348, to repeal all three Trump Administration final rule changes to the Endangered Species Act.
- Cosponsored H.R. 978, to reinstate strict vehicle emission standards and spur innovation in the automobile sector towards cleaner technology.
- Cosponsored H.R. 2256, to expand the tax credit for new plug-in electric drive motor vehicles and extend the tax credit for new fuel cell motor vehicles.
- Cosponsored **H.Con.Res.65**, to support the clean vehicle emissions standards of the United States and defending the authority of States under the Clean Air Act to protect the people of those States from harmful air pollution.
- Cosponsored H.R. 2164, to require all buses purchased or leased with funds from the Federal Transit Administration to be zero-emission beginning on October 1, 2029.
- Cosponsored **H.Con.Res.52**, to recognize the climate emergency demanding a massive-scale mobilization to halt, reverse, and address its consequences and causes.
- Cosponsored H.Res. 743, condemning President Trump's announced withdrawal from the Paris Agreement.
- Cosponsored H.R. 2349, to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to establish a Climate Change Education Program.
- Cosponsored H.Res. 574, to support the teaching of climate change in schools.
- Cosponsored **H.Res. 5185**, to provide economic empowerment opportunities in the United States through the sustainable modernization of public housing.