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# Newly Elected Senators in the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress

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# Jeff Flake (Arizona)

## **Party Affiliation**

Republican

## **Senator Replaced**

Jon Kyl (R)

## **Committee Assignments**

Foreign Relations; Energy and Natural Resources; Judiciary; Special Committee on Aging

## **Prior Public Service**

Served six terms as the Representative from Arizona's 6th congressional district; member of the House Committee on Appropriations.

## **Line of Work**

Mormon mission in Africa, public affairs career started in DC in 1987, former uranium mining lobbyist, Executive Director of Foundation for Democracy and Executive Director of Goldwater Institute.

## **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Leading conservative reformer and led way on current ban on appropriations and authorizing earmarks; economic growth and job creation; border security; reduce government spending; entitlement reform.

## **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

## **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

In 2009, introduced bill with former Representative Bob Inglis (R-S.C.) that would have imposed a tax on oil, gas and coal production or imports with a reduction in payroll taxes as the offset.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

Signed the No Climate tax pledge, which states that members "will continue to fight against a European style cap and trade scheme. Opposes emissions standards for coal fired power plants. Voted yes on barring EPA from regulating greenhouse gas emissions. Voted against the bill that would have created a cap-and-trade scheme during the 111th Congress.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

Federal government should encourage energy development, but not impair the private sector's ability do so with stifling restrictions and regulations that deter energy innovation. It is not the job of the federal government to regulate energy industry. Voted no on tax incentives for energy production and conservation.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

Voted in favor of repealing lighting efficiency standards during the 112th Congress, and was a cosponsor of the legislation that would have done so. Voted against enactment of EISA 2007 during the 110th Congress. Also opposed passage of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 in the 109th Congress. Voted against American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (cap and trade legislation) as well.

# Chris Murphy (Connecticut)

## **Party Affiliation**

Democrat

## **Senator Replaced**

Joe Lieberman (I)

## **Committee Assignments**

Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor and Pensions; Joint Economic Committee

## **Prior Public Service**

Served three terms as the Congressman from Connecticut's 5th congressional district; member of the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Oversight & Government Reform (member of the Energy & Commerce Committee in the 111th Congress); served 8 years in the CT General Assembly (House of Reps 1999-2003, Senate 2003-2007).

## **Line of Work**

Career centered around advocacy for more affordable healthcare; member of local Planning and Zoning commission when was in early 20s; practiced real estate and banking law from 2002-2006.

## **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Simplify the tax code; promote and strengthen American manufacturing; reinvest in our transportation infrastructure; make education priority; lead the way in renewable energy.

## **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

## **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

Supported award of DOE grant of \$4.1 million to CT for "Neighbor to Neighbor Energy Challenge". Last year, sponsored legislation (Manufacturing Assistance Driving Efficiency (MADE) Act) that would have provided federal grants to manufacturers for energy efficiency upgrades in lieu of the existing commercial buildings tax deduction.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

Fought for landmark climate change legislation that would have driven private sector investment in clean energy systems during the 111th Congress; supported American Clean Energy and Security Act last Congress as well.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

Supports a national standard to drive the development of renewable power technologies (wind, solar, fuel cell, etc.).

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

Voted against repealing lighting efficiency standards during the 112th Congress. Supported ARRA; championed fuel efficiency standards; and voted for Home Star Energy Retrofit Act. Also voted in favor of ESIA 2007 during the 110th Congress. Supported passage of the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (cap and trade legislation)

## **Mazie Hirono (Hawaii)**

### ***Party Affiliation***

Democrat

### ***Senator Replaced***

Daniel Akaka (D)

### ***Committee Assignments***

Armed Services; Judiciary; Veterans' Affairs

### ***Prior Public Service***

Elected to U.S. House of Representatives in 2006; served on the Committees on Transportation & Infrastructure and Education & the Workforce; member of SEEC (Sustainable Energy and Environment Caucus) and REEC (Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Caucus); Deputy Attorney General in Hawaii; elected in 1980 to Hawaii State House of Representatives ; elected in 1994 and served two terms as Hawaii's Lieutenant Governor.

### ***Line of Work***

Public Official; practicing attorney from 1984 - 1988.

### ***Major Campaign Agenda Items***

Invest in clean energy to lower energy costs; promoting public education; utilize infrastructure to create jobs & spur economic growth; ensure environmental sustainability; protect entitlement programs; & support our veterans.

### ***Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy***

None of any particular relevance.

### ***Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy***

Encouraged \$1 million investment initiative in retrofitting for small businesses. Supported developing Smart Grid technology & battery research. Encouraged the President to include a Smart Grid Hub in his 2013 budget. Supports tax incentives for battery technology installations & innovative DOE financing for clean energy projects, which helped leverage the Kahuku Wind project in Oahu. Introduced the Renewable Energy Applied Partnerships Act to support partnerships in STEM education. Cosponsor of EISA 2007. Supported ARRA 2009. Helped spearhead an amendment to the E&W Appropriations spending bill that would have increased funding for SEP and WAP.

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Climate***

"I am a cosponsor of the two major bills in Congress addressing climate change: the Safe Climate Act and the Climate Stewardship Act. It is essential that the U.S. at long last provide international leadership in addressing this very real crisis by establishing mandatory limits on greenhouse gases. I also support Vice President Gore's call to set a national goal of producing all of our nation's electricity from renewable sources."

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Energy***

End subsidies to oil companies & grow Hawaii's clean energy industry; advocated for a plan that calls for investments in research, development, & deployment of renewables & for other clean energy technologies; train jobs for tomorrow. "Energy permeates every facet of our economy. When energy prices go up, so does the cost of food, getting to work, and nearly everything else. Not just in Hawaii, but across the country. Increasing gas or electric prices eat into family budgets, and decrease the bottom line for small businesses across our country." Supported passage of the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (cap and trade legislation).

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency***

"One critical way to reduce our reliance on imported petroleum is to increase energy efficiency. The good news is that we are making significant progress - Hawaii's a leader in upgrading the energy efficiency of our workplaces and other buildings. We need to continue this momentum and provide the tools that will give Hawaii's families and businesses the ability to monitor their energy use and learn how to reduce it. That's why Congresswoman Hirono supported tax incentives like the Energy Star Rebate program and the Residential Energy Property Credit. Her plan supports legislation to increase energy efficiency in federal buildings and green schools and to help small businesses finance energy efficiency upgrades." Backs implementation of national renewable energy & efficiency standard.

## **Brian Schatz (Hawaii)**

### ***Party Affiliation***

Democrat

### ***Senator Replaced***

Daniel Inouye (D)

### ***Committee Assignments***

Energy and Natural Resources; Indian Affairs; Commerce, Science, and Transportation

### ***Prior Public Service***

Served in the Hawaii House of Representatives (1998-2006); chairman of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i from (2008-2010); served as Lieutenant Governor of Hawai'i (2010-2012).

### ***Line of Work***

Teacher at Punahou School; part of Youth for Environmental Service in the 1980s; CEO of nonprofit Helping Hands Hawaii; director of the Makiki Community Library; director of the Center for a Sustainable Future.

### ***Major Campaign Agenda Items***

In support of marriage equality; direct and stabilize funding to Hawaii; supports renewable energy projects; supporter of President Obama's campaign agenda; focus on clean energy in Hawaii.

### ***Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy***

Led state efforts to expand liquid natural gas infrastructure.

### ***Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy***

None of any particular relevance.

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Climate***

"For me, personally, I believe global climate change is real and it is the most urgent challenge of our generation."

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Energy***

"Energy is a continuation of the work I have been doing in clean energy and transition fuels. I see this as a two-way opportunity where I can help direct financial resources to Hawai'i. And, as Hawaii continues as a test bed for clean energy, focus the eyes of Congress and the country to what we are doing here. Ultimately we want to direct interest here and spur international technology development in the islands."

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency***

None of interest to note.

## **Joe Donnelly (Indiana)**

### ***Party Affiliation***

Democrat

### ***Senator Replaced***

Richard Lugar (R)

### ***Committee Assignments***

Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry; Armed Services; Special Committee on Aging

### ***Prior Public Service***

Served three terms in U.S. House as Representative from 2nd congressional district; member of Committees on Financial Services and Veterans' Affairs; worked on IN State Election Board from 1988-1989; member of School Board for Mishawaka Marian High School from 1997-2001 and president of School Board from 2000-2001.

### ***Line of Work***

Operated a small business in Mishawaka, IN; practiced law in South Bend, IN.

### ***Major Campaign Agenda Items***

Decrease dependence on foreign oil; backs tax cuts; job creation and economic growth; support veterans' benefits and economic welfare; supports tax incentives for renewable energy; advocates affordable healthcare.

### ***Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy***

None of any particular relevance.

### ***Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy***

Cosponsored the bipartisan American Conservation and Clean Energy Independence Act & the bipartisan Renewable Fuels Reinvestment Act during the 111th Congress.

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Climate***

"While I believe that climate change is real and should be addressed as part of a comprehensive reform of our nation's energy policy, I do not believe an approach that asks Indiana's economy to bear undue high costs to cut our nation's carbon emissions is the right way to go." Voted against the American Clean Energy and Security Act (cap and trade legislation) in the 111th Congress. Cosponsor of a resolution that disapproved of the rule submitted by the EPA relating to the endangerment finding and the cause or contribute findings for greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act during the 110th Congress.

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Energy***

Invest in U.S. energy independence; approve the Keystone XL Pipeline; end manipulative oil speculation; suspend tax subsidies for big oil companies. "We cannot simply drill our way to energy independence, we must invest in alternative and renewable energy sources, such as biofuels, solar, wind, and hydroelectric sources."

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency***

Voted in favor of tax incentives for energy production and conservation - bill included credit for residential energy efficient property; adopted Blue Dog Coalition press release which included the statement: "Reducing national energy intensity through energy efficient applications can save consumers and business billions in extra energy costs while also reducing polluting emissions." Supported ARRA; voted in the favor of EISA 2007.

# Angus King (Maine)

## **Party Affiliation**

Independent

## **Senator Replaced**

Olympia Snowe (R)

## **Committee Assignments**

Armed Services; Budget; Rules and Administration; Select Committee on Intelligence

## **Prior Public Service**

Governor of Maine 1995-2003; Chief Counsel, United States Senate Subcommittee on Alcoholism and Narcotics, 1972-1975; Aide, Office of Senator William Hathaway, 1972-1975.

## **Line of Work**

Partner, Independence Wind 2007-2012; founder, president, Northeast Energy Management 1989-1994; vice president, general counsel, Swift River/Hafslund, 1983-1989; host, Maine Public Television's MaineWatch, 1975-1983; practicing attorney 1975-1983, 2003-current..

## **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Ran campaign with the message that the Senate is broken and more Independents are needed to offset partisanship.

## **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

During 1980s served as VP of Company that developed alternative energy; founded Northeast Energy Management (developed, installed and operated large scale energy conservation projects for commercial & industrial facilities

## **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

Maine's first RPS law was created in 1999 under former governor Angus King. "Former Governor Angus King was a strong supporter of the Land for Maine's Future program. He supported a \$50 million land bond that has helped protect working farmland and working waterfronts, wild areas," said Maine Conservation Voters Executive Director Maureen Drouin. "We haven't passed a land conservation bond of that size since he was in office.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

Publicly indicated support for developing real solutions to mitigate climate science. Signed a bill in 1997 imposing tight controls on paper mills' dioxin discharges into rivers. "I believe climate change is happening, and humans can play a critical role in either aggravating its presence or limiting its acceleration." "I support strong enforcement of the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act."

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

King's company, Northeast Energy Management, signed a contract with the Central Maine Power Co. to save 48 million kilowatt-hours of energy each year. Firm led four dozen electrical conservation projects in Maine. King stated, "Made-in-America energy policy will be a combination of increased efficiency, smarter use of fuels, and increased domestic production of oil (necessary during the transition away from oil), gas, and renewables."

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

"Well, I had had an idea while working for this company about selling conservation in the same way that you sold power. In other words, to sell the utility energy savings on a per kilowatt hour basis, the same way you'd sell them power. The theory being that if you saved them energy, that was power that they didn't have to buy; you see, you get the theory? If your demand is growing, and if you need a hundred million more kilowatt hours next year than you have this year, you've got really two choices. The principle one is, you buy those hundred million kilowatt hours somewhere [or] you build a new plant [ ]. Or, you save a hundred million kilowatt hours somewhere else, and that gives you a hundred million that you already have that you can sell to somebody else, you don't have to build a new plant. That was my idea." (1980s) "I also support carbon-reduction initiatives and increased vehicle fuel efficiency standards;" "Energy conservation, energy efficiency, and domestic energy production will lead to a realistic American energy policy — for too long the US has not had a comprehensive energy policy."

## Elizabeth Warren (Massachusetts)

### **Party Affiliation**

Democrat

### **Senator Replaced**

Scott Brown (R)

### **Committee Assignments**

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; Special Committee on Aging; Health, Education, Labor and Pensions

### **Prior Public Service**

Special advisor to the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury on the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (2010-2011); Assistant to the President of the Treasury on the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (2010-2011); Chair of the Congressional Oversight Panel for the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP).

### **Line of Work**

Former law professor at the University of Pennsylvania, 1987-1995 & the University of Texas, 1981-1987; current law professor at Harvard University.

### **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Support middle class & small businesses; end subsidies/unfair advantaged for large industries; backs transition to "21st century clean, renewable energy"; advance implementation of health care reform law.

### **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

### **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

"The science is unmistakable: Earth's climate is changing and human activities are contributing to climate change. Climate change endangers our health and national security, it threatens agricultural production and access to clean water and it risks floods and droughts."

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

Supports ending tax breaks/subsidies for "dirty fossil fuels" like oil, gas, and coal; believes clean/renewable energy improves the economy - creates jobs and spurs innovation; 21st century energy also benefits public health.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

"If we commit ourselves to clean energy and energy efficiency now, in the long run we can reduce price swings and lower our overall costs."



## Deb Fisher (Nebraska)

### **Party Affiliation**

Republican

### **Senator Replaced**

Ben Nelson (D)

### **Committee Assignments**

Armed Services; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Environment and Public Works; Indian Affairs; Small Business and Entrepreneurship

### **Prior Public Service**

Elected in 2004 to Nebraska Unicameral State Legislature (served as Chair of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee); and member of the Revenue Committee and the Executive Board.

### **Line of Work**

Rancher; elected to the Valentine Rural High School Board of Education; former President of the Nebraska Association of School Boards; and served as a commissioner on the Coordinating Commission for Post-Secondary Education.

### **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Revitalize the economy; reform nation's tax code; work on balanced budget; and advance five priorities legislative that would create jobs (stop tax increases, promote free trade, eliminate excessive mandates & regulations, reduce energy costs, & lower health care costs)

### **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

### **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

None of interest to note.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

"We need to put into place a system that requires congressional approval for any regulation with a significant economic impact. In addition, as a U.S. Senator, I will block any EPA appointment candidate whose goal or record indicates they want to expand onerous EPA regulations." "Liberal energy regulations are preventing American industries from competing globally, costing us jobs. The Obama Administration proved creating and maintaining jobs was not a priority when they pushed for cap-and-trade legislation that would have increased energy prices by 30%, increased taxes by over \$1 trillion and cost us American jobs. The threat of cap-and-trade legislation hurts small businesses and I oppose such legislation." Does NOT believe in climate change.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

"I believe in an all-of-the-above approach to energy production: from greater domestic oil and gas production and exploration, to expanding clean coal technology, to building nuclear energy infrastructure and renewable resources where they are cost-effective." Supports domestic and offshore drilling. Proposes plan to reduce energy costs (possibly eliminate EPA & reduce its power in regulating GHG emissions, supports clean coal technology and nuclear power, & private sector should lead the development of alternative energy).

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

None of interest to note.

## **Martin Heinrich (New Mexico)**

### ***Party Affiliation***

Democrat

### ***Senator Replaced***

Jeff Bingaman (D)

### ***Committee Assignments***

Energy and Natural Resources; Select Committee on Intelligence; Joint Economic Committee

### ***Prior Public Service***

Served two terms as the U.S. Representative from NM's first congressional district (member of the Committees on Natural Resources & Armed Services); member of SEEC (Sustainable Energy and Environment Caucus); Albuquerque City Council 2004-2007.

### ***Line of Work***

Executive Director of the Cottonwood Gulch Foundation (non-profit organization devoted to educating young people on natural science & the environment); founded his own public affairs consulting firm; political consultant for the Coalition for New Mexico Wilderness 2002-2005.

### ***Major Campaign Agenda Items***

Support small business growth; create good jobs; champion New Mexico's burgeoning clean energy economy; protect the state's treasured public lands; bolster our national security & benefits to veterans.

### ***Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy***

Work with the Coalition for New Mexico Wilderness & Cottonwood Gulch Foundation was tangentially related.

### ***Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy***

Introduced the Clean Energy Promotion Act, bipartisan legislation to promote renewable energy projects on public lands.

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Climate***

"Committed to making America more energy independent, strengthening our economy and national security, and protecting the environment. And we will also protect consumers from volatile energy prices and make our infrastructure and transportation sectors more sustainable."

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Energy***

"Believes New Mexico, with its abundant wind and solar resources, can and should be the epicenter of the clean energy economy and will do everything in his power to help make that belief a reality."

### ***Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency***

"Working to increase investments in clean energy, energy efficiency, and emerging technologies, and limit carbon pollution. This will take us in a new direction on energy that will create jobs here at home and make America a world leader in clean energy." Voted against repeal of the lighting efficiency standards. Supported passage of the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (cap and trade legislation). Also supported passage of the Home Star Energy Retrofit Act.

## Heidi Heitkamp (North Dakota)

### **Party Affiliation**

Democrat

### **Senator Replaced**

Kent Conrad (D)

### **Committee Assignments**

Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry; Indian Affairs; Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Small Business and Entrepreneurship

### **Prior Public Service**

North Dakota attorney general, 1992-2000; tax commissioner, 1986-1992.

### **Line of Work**

Director, Dakota Gasification, 2001-present; attorney, North Dakota Tax Commissioner Office, 1981-1986; attorney, Environmental Protection Agency, 1980-1981.

### **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Putting politics aside & working together to cut government spending; balance the budget; create jobs & spur economic growth; & advance North Dakotan energy sources.

### **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

Worked for Dakota gasification to support a multi-pronged energy industry in the state.

### **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

None of interest to note.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

Despite the candidate's background as an environmental lawyer, she did not publicly state her views/positions on climate.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

"I believe our state can be a leader in reducing the country's dependence on Mideast oil through domestic energy sources such as natural gas, oil, and renewable energy like solar and wind power. And I outlined my plans to support the Keystone XL Pipeline, end reckless oil speculation by big Wall Street traders, increase domestic drilling and energy production and support alternate energy like wind and biofuels. As senator, I'll work with both parties to move North Dakota forward and ensure the Keystone Pipeline - which has been delayed too long - gets built."

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

None of interest to note.

## Tim Scott (South Carolina)

### **Party Affiliation**

Republican

### **Senator Replaced**

Jim DeMint (R)

### **Committee Assignments**

Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Health, Education, Labor and Pensions; Energy and Natural Resources; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; Select Committee on Aging

### **Prior Public Service**

Served in U.S. House of Representative (2011-2013), served in South Carolina General Assembly (2009-2011); served in Charleston City Council (1996-2008).

### **Line of Work**

Owner of insurance agency; financial advisor.

### **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Goal to keep federal spending under control, reform the tax code, support economic freedom and entrepreneurship.

### **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

### **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

None of interest to note.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

Opposes EPA regulations on greenhouse gas emissions or on air pollution caused by oil drilling on water; "I pledge to the taxpayers of my state, and to the American people, that I will oppose any legislation relating to climate change that includes a net increase in government revenue."

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

Supports use of federal lands for expanding oil and gas development; hopes to "increase American-made energy, create good jobs, and strengthen our national security"; "I am committed to decreasing our dependence on foreign sources, creating good-paying jobs, safeguarding our national security, and lowering gas prices. But in order for this process to begin, the federal government needs to get out of the way, remove rigid and bureaucratic barricades to development, and let South Carolina businesses put South Carolinians back to work."

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

None articulated.

# Ted Cruz (Texas)

## **Party Affiliation**

Republican

## **Senator Replaced**

Kay Bailey Hutchison (R)

## **Committee Assignments**

Judiciary; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Armed Services; Rules and Administration; Special Committee on Aging

## **Prior Public Service**

Served as the Solicitor General of Texas, 2003-2008; Director of the Office of Policy Planning at the Federal Trade Commission, 2001-2002; Associate Deputy Attorney General at the U.S. Department of Justice, 2001; clerk, Supreme Court Justice William Rehnquist, 1996; clerk, U.S. Appeals Court Judge Michael Luttig, 1995.

## **Line of Work**

Lawyer, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, 2008-2012; domestic policy advisor, Bush-Cheney campaign, 1999-2000; lawyer, Cooper, Carvin & Rosenthal, 1997-1999.

## **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Constitutional conservative whose beacon for governance is the Constitution; roll back burdensome regulations; cut spending & reform the tax system.

## **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

## **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

None of interest to note.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

"The Obama administration has relentlessly pushed, in cap and trade, the largest energy tax in history, which would take thousands of dollars from every family in America. Unable to pass it through Congress, the EPA is attempting to bypass Congress and force cap and trade on Americans by adopting back-door regulations. We must stop both efforts now."

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

Authored an amicus brief on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and a diverse coalition of 29 Gulf Coast chambers of commerce and industry groups in *Hornbeck Offshore Services v. Salazar*, in opposition to the Obama Interior Department's moratorium on offshore exploration in the Gulf of Mexico. One week later, the Fifth Circuit agreed, and ruled against the moratorium; "EPA has launched "investigations" into hydraulic fracturing, a long-used drilling process that has recently unlocked vast new reserves in both natural gas and oil. These new American energy reserves are poised to create countless new jobs and drastically reduce our dependence on foreign energy supplies. But if the Obama administration succeeds in banning hydraulic fracturing, tens of thousands of jobs will be lost and America will be left even more dependent on foreign dictators for our energy needs. We can and should vigilantly protect clean air and water while aggressively developing these new resources and new jobs." Has indicated a desire to abolish the U.S. Department of Energy.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

None articulated.

## Tim Kaine (Virginia)

### **Party Affiliation**

Democrat

### **Senator Replaced**

Jim Webb (D)

### **Committee Assignments**

Armed Services; Foreign Relations; Budget

### **Prior Public Service**

Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia, 2006-2010; Lieutenant Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia, 2003-2006; Mayor, City of Richmond, 1998-2001; Richmond City Council, 1994-1998.

### **Line of Work**

Chairman, Democratic National Committee. 2009-2011; practicing lawyer, 1983-2000; lecturer, University of Richmond School of Law, 1987-1993; 2010-2012.

### **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Attract investments to spur job & economic growth; renew principles of fiscal responsibility; establish a national energy policy that protects our environment; strengthen the social safety net; provide access to affordable health care & education; keep the promise to our veterans.

### **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

### **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

First Governor to put in place an energy plan for Virginia calling for use of all state energy (fossil fuel and renewables). This plan would reduce VA's rate of growth in energy use by 40 %, reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 30%, and seeks to increase in-state energy production by 20% and approves exploratory drilling for natural gas off the coast of Virginia.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

"I reject the anti-science mentality of those who claim that we can be indifferent to human impact on the climate. There is a well-funded effort underway to deny that human actions are having an impact. The right strategies for dealing with climate change are complicated, and we must always take a balanced approach. But we cannot ignore our own responsibilities as stewards of our environment. We must make sure that our children and grandchildren can enjoy the same natural bounty that we cherish."

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

"America's long-term goal should be to expand the use of low-polluting forms of energy. It's good for the economy, good for America's security and good for the environment. We need to be on the cutting edge of new clean energy technologies like wind, solar and nuclear power." Plans to identify technological opportunities to modernize national energy infrastructure.

### **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

"And conservation must be a major part of our nation's energy strategy, because the cheapest energy is the energy you don't have to buy due to increases in efficiency and conservation. I am very supportive of recent efforts to modernize homes, schools, and municipal buildings in order to reduce consumption and therefore utility bills. The cheapest energy is the energy we don't use. That's why, in 2007, I passed a plan to install energy efficient technologies in government buildings and encourage more sustainable practices, conserving electricity and taxpayer dollars. In 2008, my Renew Virginia initiative encouraged clean energy businesses to relocate to the Commonwealth, bringing with them well-paying jobs of the future and fostering new energy-efficient and alternative-energy projects. As Senator, I will work to expand consumer education to promote energy efficiency and conservation practices. I will support efforts to modernize homes, schools, and municipal buildings to save families and taxpayers money by reducing their electricity consumption and utility bills. I will also support efforts to make vehicles more energy efficient to save consumers money at the pump and reduce pollution."

# Tammy Baldwin (Wisconsin)

## **Party Affiliation**

Democrat

## **Senator Replaced**

Herb Kohl (D)

## **Committee Assignments**

Budget; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Health, Education, Labor and Pensions; Special Committee on Aging

## **Prior Public Service**

Prior to serving seven terms in the U.S. House as the Representative from the 2nd congressional district (member of the Committee on Energy & Commerce); Madison City Council, 1986; Dane Co. Supervisor, 1986-94; WI Assembly, 1992-98.

## **Line of Work**

Attorney 1989-1992.

## **Major Campaign Agenda Items**

Fighting for Wisconsin's middle class families; opposing unfair trade deals; reducing the debt/deficits with a balanced approach; prohibiting discrimination; affording access to health care & education.

## **Career Related to EE and/or Clean Energy**

None of any particular relevance.

## **Public Service Accomplishments on Energy Efficiency and/or Clean Energy**

In 2009, introduced legislation that would have created an Energy-Efficient Motor Rebate Program for the purchase of high-efficiency electric motors.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Climate**

"Believes in man-made global warming and supports a number of measures to halt the threat, including cap-and-trade programs. Has put forth legislation to create a greenhouse gas (GHG) registry to catalogue all emissions and carbon labeling of all products so consumers know the carbon footprint of each product." Voted in favor of the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (cap and trade legislation), which incorporated provisions from her bill that would have established a GHG registry. In 2009, proposed legislation to require the EPA to conduct a study into the feasibility of establishing a national program for measuring, reporting & labeling products or material in the U.S. for their carbon content.

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy**

"Energy is at the heart of our economy. I support the development of a comprehensive energy strategy that will position our nation for strong economic growth and security for the 21st century. America's strength has always come from innovation. We should be the world's leader in the development of a clean energy economy. A comprehensive energy plan must include investment in enhanced energy production from wind, solar and biofuels; investment in advanced battery technology, electric and hybrid vehicles, & development of smart grid technology."

## **Public Statements/Positions on Energy Efficiency**

"Conservation and energy efficiency also are important components of our energy policy. Huge savings of both energy and money can result from replacing outdated technology with new high efficiency motors, lights, and building materials. Encouraging these investments by businesses and families through tax credits and rebates has proven successful." In 2007, supported the New Direction for Energy Independence Act, which would have raised a number of energy efficiency items, including using standby power in the calculation of power used by each appliance. Also backed passage of the Energy Independence and Security Act, which would have increased Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards to 35 mpg by 2020. Supported passage of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) & the Home Star Energy Retrofit Act during the 111th Congress. Voted against the repeal of lighting efficiency standards. .