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LOWER BILLS, HOMEGROWN POWER: DEMOCRATS IN SWING STATES & DISTRICTS ARE RUNNING ON CLEAN ENERGY

Voters have made energy costs the [top issue](#) of the 2026 midterms. Trump and Republicans' war of choice in Iran and push to fast-track power-hungry data centers are only part of the reason gas and utility bills are through the roof. Republicans cut off access to clean energy produced here at home, the cheapest power America has – and Democrats running in the most competitive Senate, House and governors races are not letting voters forget it.

Democratic Senate Candidates

Mary Peltola (AK-Sen)

"Alaskans are desperate for renewable energy for our own homes and our own communities. Let's get serious about that for our own sake."

[CAMPAIGN EVENT](#), SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

Sen. Jon Ossoff (GA)

"We were promised a golden age. Instead, the economy's lost 75,000 manufacturing jobs just since Trump launched his big illegal tariffs. Hiring is at its lowest rate since 2020 ... SK just laid off almost a thousand workers at their EV battery plant over in Commerce because of this administration's war on renewable energy."

[CAMPAIGN EVENT](#), APRIL 18, 2026

Josh Turek (IA-Sen)

"Iowa has led the nation on clean renewable energy with wind energy. We've got the largest percentage of our energy coming from wind, and ... this also provides a secondary stream of income to our farmers, which they desperately need, and so would love to be able to bring back the support to that."

[INTERVIEW](#), OCTOBER 3, 2026

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Adam Hamilton (KS-Sen)

“Protecting Families from Rising Energy Bills” is the first issue on Hamilton’s Affordability Agenda, which includes a commitment to: “Stop the war on domestic energy projects and restore energy production tax credits that increase our energy independence and create good-paying jobs.”

[WEBSITE](#), 2026

Troy Jackson (ME-Sen)

“The way that we get off this boom and bust of wars and things like that is to go with the northern Maine transmission line, get wind energy that is less costly and is in deep supply and we won’t have to worry about every time someone like Donald Trump wants to start a war that we’ll be paying higher fuel prices. That’s the way that we’re going to lower our energy costs, not by building a pipeline across the United States for the Keystone.”

[DEBATE](#), OCTOBER 13, 2026

Abdul El-Sayed (MI-Sen)

“We have all the technology we need to drop the price of electricity via renewable energy. We just don’t invest in it.”

[CAMPAIGN EVENT](#), SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

Roy Cooper (NC-Sen)

“We now have a demand for power unlike anything we’ve ever seen. And we have a Congress and a president... that has wiped away the gains that we made in clean energy that would have helped add energy to the grid.”

[INTERVIEW](#), JULY 10, 2026

James Talarico (TX-Sen)

“We need a new American dream for today’s energy. Texas is the undisputed energy capital of America. We are number one in oil and gas. We’re also number one in wind and solar. We are an all of the above energy powerhouse, which is what true energy independence requires. Gas in your tank, oil under your hood, and a solar panel on your roof. Cheap, reliable energy for all. It is time. It is time to stop attacking our growing renewable sector in Texas.”

[CAMPAIGN EVENT](#), AUGUST 5, 2026

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Democratic House Candidates

Joanna Mendoza (AZ-06)

“Juan Ciscomani claimed to support clean energy, renewables, all those things, and then turned around and voted against them... My top concern is ensuring that constituents have the ability to pay for their energy to cool their homes.”

[ARTICLE QUOTE](#), JULY 17, 2026

Manny Rutinel (CO-08)

“There were energy tax credits that were gutted with this one big beautiful bill. Gabe Evans voted to cut energy tax credits that were helping us have hundreds of jobs right here in Colorado's 8th congressional district. And a lot of those jobs would have been in renewable energy to be able to have that safe, up and affordable energy right here in the district. That would have helped bring not just hundreds of jobs to the district, but safer, cheaper, more affordable energy for folks across the board.”

[INTERVIEW](#), OCTOBER 20, 2026

Christina Bohannon (IA-01)

“Miller-Meeks voted to cut renewable energy tax credits... it was also bringing down our utility costs... Miller-Meeks voted to cut those tax credits, which is actually also going to drive up our utility costs. So I would restore those tax credits.”

[INTERVIEW](#), MAY 17, 2026

Sean McCann (MI-04)

“Bill Huizenga voted to open the door to data centers in Michigan. He also voted to cut clean energy. We're paying for all these bad decisions, in higher utility bills and lost jobs.”

[SOCIAL POST](#), OCTOBER 9, 2026

Will Lawrence (MI-07)

“The fastest and cheapest path to energy security is solar power owned by residents and communities.”

[INTERVIEW](#), SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

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Rebecca Bennett (NJ-07)

"So I'm happy to stand up here and talk about energy policy all night because I think there are a lot of things we can do whether it is, you know, number one undoing the cuts that were done when the one big beautiful bill which my opponent, Congressman Tom Kean Jr., was the deciding vote on. They cut 20 gigawatts of energy that would have powered three million homes. It's why we are seeing our energy costs go up by over \$160 per household per year. And we are also losing 475,000 clean energy jobs because of those cuts."

[DEBATE](#), SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Cait Conley (NY- 17)

"Mike Lawler has been devastating for our environment and for our future. He has enabled this administration's dangerous cuts to affordable clean energy and environmental protections, raising our electric bills and making pollution worse. Our families cannot afford another 2 years of Mike Lawler."

[SOCIAL POST](#), MARCH 13, 2026

Jamie Ager (NC-11)

Asked about Edwards's One Big Beautiful Bill vote cutting solar incentives, Ager said: *"Western North Carolina farms, small businesses and homes need an energy strategy that can lower costs for all of our families and communities. That includes all types of energy, including solar energy... Unlike Chuck Edwards, I won't let partisan politics get in the way of supporting whatever energy is cheapest and best for our families."*

[INTERVIEW](#), APRIL 16, 2026

Janelle Stelson (PA-10)

"Washington Republicans are wasting nearly \$1 billion to raise energy costs by reducing wind energy. It's crazy."

[SOCIAL POST](#), MARCH 27, 2026

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Elaine Luria (VA-02)

Referring to Trump's attacks on wind energy, Luria said, "Kiggans went to Congress promising to lower energy costs and create jobs. Instead, she's voted 100% of the time with Donald Trump, causing energy prices to skyrocket, and killing thousands of good-paying jobs across Coastal Virginia."

[SOCIAL POST](#), APRIL 27, 2026

Rebecca Cooke (WI-03)

"Investing in clean energy will create good-paying local jobs and help lower costs for working families."

[ARTICLE QUOTE](#), MARCH 19, 2026

Democratic Governor Candidates

Rob Sand (IA-Gov)

"We need to make sure that we're continuing to build renewable energy. It's a great way to lower costs."

[INTERVIEW](#), OCTOBER 14, 2026

Jocelyn Benson (MI-Gov)

"It's past time we hold utility companies accountable, end profit-driven rate hikes, and invest in clean energy infrastructure so your monthly bills go down instead of up."

[SOCIAL POST](#), OCTOBER 15, 2026

Aaron Ford (NV-Gov)

On the One Big Beautiful Bill: "Joe Lombardo said we should be 'excited' about it; I call it a monstrosity that has... yanked cheap clean energy from 50,000 Nevadans... With Lombardo's support, Trump has forced working Nevadans to go without... affordable energy."

[PRESS RELEASE](#), JULY 3, 2026

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Gov. Josh Shapiro (PA)

"The most consequential way we can lower energy prices is by generating more energy. It's simple supply-and-demand... diversify our energy sector to generate more renewables. My plan will save consumers an estimated \$664 million."

[STATE OF THE STATE](#), FEBRUARY 3, 2026

David Crowley (WI-Gov)

"By increasing reliable energy through solar, through wind, through battery storage, that makes sure that we not only have clean energy, but we have cheaper energy."

[ARTICLE QUOTE](#), OCTOBER 13, 2026