

ADVANCED NUCLEAR, CARBON CAPTURE, FOSSIL FUEL BILLS CLEAR SENATE ENERGY

WASHINGTON, DC -- ClearPath Action Executive Director released the following statement regarding the U.S. Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee markup today.

While the committee passed a number of bills today, ClearPath Action was particularly pleased with the passage of the following:

- The Launching Energy Advancement through Innovations in Natural Gas
 (LEADING) Act (S.1685) sponsored by Senators John Cornyn (R-TX), Chris
 Coons (D-DE), Bill Cassidy (R-LA) and Krysten Sinema (D-AZ).
- The Nuclear Energy Leadership (NELA) Act(S.903) sponsored by Committee Chairman Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) and Sen. Cory Booker (D-N.J.).
- The Enhancing Fossil Fuel Energy Carbon Technology (EFFECT) Act (S.1201) sponsored by Sens. Joe Manchin (D-WV), Lisa Murkowski, Lisa (R-AK), Shelley Moore Capito, (R-WV), Sen. Kevin Cramer (R-ND), Steve Daines (R-MT), Doug Jones (D-GA), Lamar Alexander (R-TN), John Hoeven (R-ND), and Chris Coons (D-DE).

"Moving these to the full Senate is a critical step toward developing the federal goals and public-private partnerships necessary to cross a valley of death that often stops groundbreaking innovation from winning in the marketplace," ClearPath Action Executive Director Rich Powell said. "It's also another great example of the bipartisan support on Capitol Hill for reducing carbon emissions and forging ahead with the next-generation of clean and reliable nuclear and carbon capture technologies that China, Russia and others are trying to corner the global market on."

The **LEADING Act** directs the Department of Energy to conduct critical carbon capture research and development for natural gas power plant applications like NetPower. As part of that new effort, it lays out an aggressive goal of demonstrating at least three applications by 2025. <u>View more about NetPower</u>, a carbon capture game change.

NELA would help create a national strategy for nuclear energy and support the development of advanced nuclear reactors.

The EFFECT Act provides the Department of Energy's Office of Fossil Energy with new resources and tools to develop clean technologies. Focus areas include reducing emissions from both coal and natural gas power plants, industrial processes, and direct air capture.

"These bills passed today are excellent examples of smart bipartisan solutions that tackle climate change, unlike the unrealistic Green New Deal," **Powell** added.

About ClearPath Action

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