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Backdoor Cap & Trade Showdown

Surrender

Baucus Amendment

- Provides weak exemptions for some farms and businesses.
- Makes the EPA's green house gas "Tailoring Rule" permanent law.
- Hits farmers and small businesses with higher fuel, electricity and fertilizer costs.

Distract

Rockefeller Amendment

- Keeps all existing Greenhouse Gas regulations in place.
- Delays only two (carbon dioxide and methane) out of six greenhouse gases for two years.

Solve

McConnell / Inhofe Amendment

- Restores the Clean Air Act to its true meaning and Congressional intent.
- Removes EPA's authority to regulate greenhouse gases.
- Applies immediately to all greenhouse gases and protects all sectors of the economy.

As the Wall Street Journal reported on March 28, 2011:

"Few other votes this year could do more to help the private economy."