

Energy Efficiency: Creates Jobs in States while Reducing Consumer Bills

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The American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 ("ACES" or "H.R. 2454") includes many important energy efficiency provisions that have been largely overlooked in discussions and analyses of the bill thus far. The bill requires utilities to obtain 20% of their energy through a combination of renewable energy and energy efficiency by 2020, with energy efficiency allowed to meet up to 8% of the 20% goal. Other energy efficiency provisions would produce savings through improved building codes and retrofits, and appliance standards.

ACEEE has analyzed benefits of these energy efficiency provisions and looked at three provisions to improving the energy efficiency in the legislation by including a stand-alone energy efficiency resource standard (EERS) requiring 10% cumulative savings by 2020, directing one-third of electric local distribution company allowances to energy efficiency, and sustaining State Energy and Environmental Development funding at 9.5% of allowance revenue through 2030.

ACES with these enhancements would in 2030:

- save American consumers an average of \$832 per household
- create over 1 million jobs
- reduce carbon dioxide emissions by over 900 MMT

These consumer household savings would, for every state, far more than offset the cost of cap-and-trade as estimated by the Congressional Budget Office (a national estimate).

The energy efficiency enhancements to ACES would result in the creation of 71% more jobs nationwide and an additional 70% in net consumer savings per household in 2030. These 2030 energy savings would produce the equivalent of the output from 512 power plants or from taking 159,772,000 cars off the road.

While all states show significant increases in jobs and net consumer savings per household, there is significant variation among the states. This variation can best be seen in the net consumer savings per household, which normalize a number of these parameters. While most states have per household savings in 2020 ranging from \$150–350, there are some outliers, mostly at the high end. Most of the states with high savings have larger than average energy consumption (and savings opportunities) in the commercial, industrial, and transportation sectors. More generally, this variation results from variations in energy prices and the relative energy intensity per household, combined with the presence of a significant state EERS. States with higher energy prices and/or greater energy use per household like Wyoming tend to have higher savings. For jobs, the number of jobs generated roughly correlate with population.

The summary table on the next page presents net jobs created, annual energy savings, annual net consumer savings, and cumulative CO₂ for each state (plus D.C.). A copy of ACEEE's full report and fact sheets on impacts in each state can be downloaded at: http://www.aceee.org/energy/national/50states.htm.

About the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE)

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- Conducting in-depth technical and policy assessments
- Advising policymakers and program managers
- Working collaboratively with businesses, public interest groups, and other organizations
- Organizing conferences and workshops
- Publishing books, conference proceedings, and reports
- · Educating consumers and businesses

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2020	Annual Net Jobs Created	Annual Energy Savings (in quads)	Annual Net Consumer savings (2007\$/household)	Cumulative CO2 Savings (in MMT)	2030	Annual Net Jobs Created	Annual Energy Savings (in quads)	Annual Net Consumer savings (2007\$/household)	Cumulative CO2 Savings (in MMT)		2020	Annual Net Jobs Created	Annual Energy Savings (in quads)	Annual Net Consumer savings (2007\$/household)	Cumulative CO2 Savings (in MMT)	2030	Annual Net Jobs Created	Annual Energy Savings (in quads)	Annual Net Consumer savings (2007\$/household)	Cumulative CO2 Savings (in MMT)
National	383,800	4.65 \$	215	296	National	607,200	8.39 \$	486	506	National		569,200	7.66 \$	283	480	National	1,035,500	15.69 \$	832	959
Alabama Alaska	5,000 700	0.11 \$ 0.02 \$	289 483	7.9 1.5	Alabama Alaska	6,900 800	0.17 \$ 0.05 \$	509 1.149	11 3	Alabama		8,200	0.19 \$	347	13	Alabama	13,100	0.35 \$	947	22
Arizona	8.000	0.02 \$	204	5.5	Arizona	11.800	0.05 \$	420	10	Alaska		1,000	0.03 \$	829	2	Alaska	1,300	0.08 \$	2,060	5
Arkansas	3,700	0.06 \$	273	3.9	Arkansas	4,600	0.10 \$	500	6	Arizona		13,300	0.16 \$	252	9	Arizona	21,900	0.32 \$	795	19
California	38,900	0.27 \$	137	18.3	California	68,500	0.59 \$	368	37	Arkansas		5,600	0.11 \$	340	6	Arkansas	8,100	0.20 \$	870	11
Colorado	7,100	0.06 \$	158	3.3	Colorado	11,300	0.13 \$	409	7	California Colorado		66,200 11,000	0.45 \$ 0.11 \$	209 218	30 6	California Colorado	121,500 18,700	1.01 \$ 0.25 \$	639 726	68 13
Connecticut Delaware	5,200 1,000	0.05 \$ 0.02 \$	240 271	3.6 1.2	Connecticut Delaware	9,100 1,900	0.11 \$ 0.04 \$	677 792	8	Connecticut		8.900	0.11 \$	349	6	Connecticut	15,900	0.25 \$	1,082	13
District of Columbia	1,100	0.02 \$	511	1.5	District of Columbia	2,000	0.04 \$	1,146	3	Delaware		1,800	0.03 \$	450	2	Delaware	3,400	0.08 \$	1,421	5
Florida	20,600	0.29 \$	229	17.4	Florida	32,600	0.45 \$	396	27	District of Columb	bia	1,900	0.04 \$	809	2	District of Columbia	3,600	0.08 \$	1,893	5
Georgia	13,300	0.18 \$	276	12.5	Georgia	19,300	0.28 \$	524	18	Florida		38,800	0.49 \$	296	30	Florida	69,100	0.91 \$	742	56
Hawaii	1,000	0.02 \$	322	2.1	Hawaii	1,900	0.04 \$	876	5	Georgia		21,400	0.31 \$	340	20	Georgia	34,500	0.55 \$	891	35
Idaho	2,200	0.03 \$	226	1.4 9.7	Idaho Illinois	2,900	0.06 \$	531	3	Hawaii		2,100	0.03 \$	604	4	Hawaii	4,100	0.07 \$	1,825	10
Illinois Indiana	20,000 8,900	0.17 \$ 0.16 \$	193 287	11.8	Indiana	33,300 11,900	0.35 \$ 0.24 \$	528 537	19 15	Idaho		3,300	0.04 \$	275	2	Idaho	4,900	0.10 \$	872	5
lowa	4,300	0.05 \$	211	2.8	lowa	5,800	0.09 \$	475	5	Illinois		30,400	0.27 \$	252	16 17	Illinois	52,200	0.61 \$	822 888	34 27
Kansas	3,700	0.06 \$	261	4.4	Kansas	5,700	0.11 \$	573	7	Indiana Iowa		13,000 6,200	0.25 \$ 0.08 \$	314 282	5	Indiana Iowa	19,500 9,200	0.46 \$ 0.18 \$	817	10
Kentucky	4,800	0.11 \$	251	8.0	Kentucky	6,200	0.16 \$	458	10	Kansas		5.600	0.10 \$	319	7	Kansas	9,200	0.10 \$	945	12
Louisiana	2,800	0.11 \$	318	6.5	Louisiana	4,000	0.16 \$	541	9	Kentucky		7,400	0.19 \$	275	13	Kentucky	10,900	0.34 \$	833	20
Maine	1,600 8,600	0.03 \$ 0.07 \$	245 190	1.8 4.5	Maine	2,500 14,500	0.06 \$	611 525	4 9	Louisiana		4,700	0.17 \$	383	10	Louisiana	7,600	0.30 \$	935	18
Maryland Massachusetts	9.000	0.07 \$	189	5.3	Maryland Massachusetts	16,800	0.15 \$ 0.17 \$	573	11	Maine		2,600	0.04 \$	415	3	Maine	4,300	0.10 \$	1,100	7
Michigan	12,800	0.12 \$	156	6.9	Michigan	22,800	0.26 \$	456	14	Maryland		14,600	0.11 \$	279	7	Maryland	26,200	0.26 \$	883	18
Minnesota	7,500	0.07 \$	178	4.0	Minnesota	12,100	0.15 \$	467	8	Massachusetts		15,200	0.11 \$	274	8	Massachusetts	28,600	0.27 \$	904	21
Mississippi	3,100	0.06 \$	278	3.8	Mississippi	4,100	0.10 \$	493	6	Michigan		19,600 11,400	0.18 \$ 0.11 \$	211 240	10 6	Michigan Minnesota	35,400	0.44 \$	687 719	25 14
Missouri	8,400	0.13 \$	237	9.2	Missouri	11,900	0.20 \$	464	13	Minnesota Mississippi		5,100	0.11 \$	378	7	Mississippi	19,300 7,800	0.26 \$ 0.19 \$	922	12
Montana Nebraska	1,400 2.800	0.02 \$ 0.04 \$	317 260	1.5 2.6	Montana Nebraska	1,800 3,400	0.05 \$ 0.08 \$	702 524	3	Missouri		12,800	0.11 \$	265	13	Missouri	19,900	0.19 \$	736	22
Nevada	3.200	0.04 \$	241	2.5	Nevada	4.500	0.08 \$	528	5	Montana		2,100	0.05 \$	476	3	Montana	3,100	0.10 \$	1,347	6
New Hampshire	1,700	0.02 \$	231	1.6	New Hampshire	3,000	0.05 \$	653	4	Nebraska		4,100	0.07 \$	332	4	Nebraska	5,800	0.15 \$	897	8
New Jersey	12,300	0.12 \$	258	8.5	New Jersey	21,300	0.25 \$	670	16	Nevada		4,900	0.08 \$	398	5	Nevada	7,800	0.16 \$	1,064	10
New Mexico	3,000	0.03 \$	241	2.1	New Mexico	3,400	0.06 \$	466	3	New Hampshire		2,900	0.04 \$	377	3	New Hampshire	5,300	0.09 \$	1,156	6
New York	29,700	0.20 \$ 0.14 \$	177 207	13.9	New York	53,900	0.44 \$	544 373	29 14	New Jersey		19,400	0.21 \$	419	15	New Jersey	34,500	0.41 \$	1,101	30
North Carolina North Dakota	10,900 800	0.14 \$	300	8.9 1.0	North Carolina North Dakota	16,800 1,000	0.23 \$ 0.04 \$	707	2	New Mexico New York		4,300 48,100	0.05 \$ 0.28 \$	337 244	3 21	New Mexico New York	5,800 87,900	0.13 \$ 0.67 \$	868 806	7 51
Ohio	16,400	0.14 \$	183	9.0	Ohio	26,000	0.28 \$	469	17	New York North Carolina		18,700	0.28 \$	244	15	New York North Carolina	31,900	0.67 \$	664	27
Oklahoma	4,500	0.09 \$	285	5.2	Oklahoma	6,100	0.14 \$	526	8	North Dakota		1,300	0.05 \$	511	3	North Dakota	1,800	0.11 \$	1.566	5
Oregon	5,300	0.05 \$	175	2.8	Oregon	7,600	0.10 \$	409	5	Ohio		24.900	0.23 \$	244	14	Ohio	41,700	0.54 \$	744	31
Pennsylvania	17,600	0.23 \$	236	15.7	Pennsylvania	28,000	0.38 \$	558	24	Oklahoma		6,800	0.13 \$	328	8	Oklahoma	10,400	0.26 \$	860	14
Rhode Island South Carolina	1,800 5,000	0.02 \$ 0.10 \$	135 266	0.5 7.3	Rhode Island South Carolina	3,600 7,300	0.05 \$ 0.16 \$	900 482	4 10	Oregon		8,600	0.08 \$	239	4	Oregon	13,900	0.18 \$	690	10
South Dakota	1,300	0.02 \$	286	1.1	South Dakota	1,600	0.04 \$	659	2	Pennsylvania		27,200	0.35 \$	269	23	Pennsylvania	45,600	0.67 \$	903	43
Tennessee	7,700	0.11 \$	226	7.9	Tennessee	11,000	0.18 \$	441	11	Rhode Island		2,900	0.03 \$	158	1	Rhode Island	5,600	0.08 \$	1,407	6
Texas	19,900	0.32 \$	246	20.2	Texas	28,400	0.53 \$	443	31	South Carolina South Dakota		8,400 1,900	0.17 \$ 0.04 \$	308 432	11 2	South Carolina South Dakota	14,000	0.29 \$ 0.08 \$	835 1.146	19 4
Utah	4,200	0.05 \$	261	2.5	Utah	5,300	0.09 \$	542	4	Tennessee		1,900	0.04 \$	280	14	Tennessee	2,800 20,100	0.08 \$	777	23
Vermont	800 10,300	0.02 \$ 0.11 \$	305 197	1.2 6.2	Vermont Virginia	1,300 15,900	0.04 \$ 0.20 \$	835 421	3 11	Texas		33,300	0.59 \$	321	36	Texas	54,400	1.15 \$	904	70
Virginia Washington	8,500	0.11 \$	153	4.1	Washington	13,500	0.20 \$	386	8	Utah		6,000	0.08 \$	315	4	Utah	8,500	0.17 \$	987	8
West Virginia	1,900	0.05 \$	237	3.8	West Virginia	2,700	0.09 \$	521	6	Vermont		1,400	0.02 \$	485	2	Vermont	2,400	0.06 \$	1,375	4
Wisconsin	8,700	0.08 \$	191	5.1	Wisconsin	13,900	0.16 \$	483	9	Virginia		16,800	0.18 \$	221	10	Virginia	28,400	0.38 \$	690	20
Wyoming	900	0.03 \$	574	1.8	Wyoming	700	0.05 \$	950	3	Washington		14,100	0.13 \$	200	7	Washington	24,400	0.30 \$	644	15
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										Wyoming		1,200	0.06 \$	766	3	Wyoming	1,200	0.12 \$	2,148	Ö