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118TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. LANGWORTHY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Energy Choice Act".

1 SEC. 2. LIMITATIONS ON REGULATION OF ENERGY CHOICE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—No State or local government, or
instrumentality or regulatory agency thereof, may adopt
a law, ordinance, building code, or efficiency standard that
prohibits, or has the effect of prohibiting, the connection,
reconnection, modification, installation, or expansion of an
energy service based on the type or source of energy to
be delivered to an end-user of such energy service.

9 (b) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term "energy"10 includes—

- 11 (1) natural gas;
- 12 (2) renewable gas;
- 13 (3) hydrogen;
- 14 (4) liquified petroleum gas;
- 15 (5) renewable liquified petroleum gas;
- 16 (6) other liquid petroleum products;
- 17 (7) biomass-based diesel fuels;
- 18 (8) other liquid petroleum products and renew-
- able fuels; and
- 20 (9) electricity.