

2025 HOUSE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HCR 3009

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Energy and Natural Resources Committee

Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

HCR 3009

2/13/2025

A concurrent resolution urging the federal government to take actions to enact trade policy that supports business and workers of the United States while penalizing global polluters.

9:07 a.m. Chairman Porter opened the hearing.

Members Present: Chairman Porter, Vice Chairman Anderson, Vice Chairwoman Novak, Representatives: Dockter, Hagert, Headland, Heinert, Johnson, Marschall, Olson, M. Ruby, Conmy, Foss

Discussion Topics:

- Industrial pollution
- China

9:07 a.m. Vice Chairwoman Novak introduced the bill and submitted testimony #37495

on behalf of Representative J. Olson.

9:10 a.m. Chairman Porter closed the hearing.

Joseph Reed, Committee Clerk for Leah Kuball, Committee Clerk



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2/13/25

Chairman Porter and Committee Members,

My name is Jeremy Olson, Representative from District 26 in Arnegard. I am the prime sponsor of House Concurrent Resolution 3009. This resolution is intended to urge our leaders in Congress to act on the unfair trade practices of the Chinese Communist Party.

It is well-understood that China seeks to dominate global markets through unscrupulous means, such as poor labor standards and intellectual property theft. However, an under-discussed advantage they have is through an inherent subsidy to their production through low or non-existent environmental standards.

This resolution seeks to bring light to a few realities regarding this dynamic:

- American manufacturing is some of the cleanest and most efficient in the world
- China's production is three times dirtier, on average, than their American counterparts
- Without efforts to hold global polluters accountable, manufacturers and energy producers in North Dakota will be at an unfair competitive disadvantage

We have turned a blind eye to what China is doing because we benefit from importing their cheap goods. But we can't forget that what they are doing is undercutting our industries, sending American jobs overseas and taking over the supply chain in critical areas that threaten U.S. national security.

At the same time our own federal government has been holding back the development of our own natural resources. We do things right in North Dakota. We feed and fuel the world, and we take care of our land. We could do more if it weren't for the handcuffs that have been placed on us by federal bureaucracy. We have seen great strides in the last few weeks alone, and now is the time to ensure that Congress has the willpower to back the efforts of this administration.


I hope that this resolution will help push Congress to act.

We need to support our energy industry. We need to help protect our country from the malicious efforts of the Chinese Communist Party that seeks to undermine our industries.

We will continue to work in the Legislature with our business community to ensure our regulatory environment supports their prosperity here in North Dakota, but we will need concurrent effort at the federal level as well.

I ask you for a Do Pass recommendation on HCR 3009. Thank you. I would be happy to answer any questions.

Respectfully,

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Energy and Natural Resources Committee

Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

HCR 3009

2/13/2025

A concurrent resolution urging the federal government to take actions to enact trade policy that supports business and workers of the United States while penalizing global polluters.

9:53 a.m. Chairman Porter opened the hearing.

Members Present: Chairman Porter, Vice Chairman D. Anderson, Vice Chairwoman Novak, Representatives: Dockter, Hagert, Headland, Heinert, Johnson, Marschall, J. Olson, M. Ruby, Conmy, Foss

Discussion Topics:

- Committee Action

9:53 a.m. Vice Chairwoman Novak moved a Do Pass and to place HCR 3009 on the consent calendar.

9:53 a.m. Representative D. Anderson seconded the motion.

9:54 a.m. Voice vote - Motion passed

9:54 a.m. Representative Headland will carry the bill.

9:54 a.m. Chairman Porter closed the hearing.

Joseph Reed, Committee Clerk for Leah Kuball, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HCR 3009 ([25.3052.01000](#))

Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Porter, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** and **BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3009 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

2025 SENATE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HCR 3009

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Energy and Natural Resources Committee Peace Garden Room, State Capitol

HCR 3009
3/13/2025

A concurrent resolution urging the federal government to take actions to enact trade policy that supports business and workers of the United States while penalizing global polluters.

10:32 a.m. Chairman Patten opened the hearing.

Members present:

Chairman Patten, Vice Chairman Kessel, Senators: Beard, Boehm, Enget, Gerhardt, and Van Oosting.

Discussion Topics:

- Trade policy implications
- Environmental standards

10:33 a.m. Representative J. Olson, District 26, introduced the bill and submitted testimony in favor #39550.

10:36 a.m. Chairman Patten closed the hearing.

10:36 a.m. Senator Beard moved a Do Pass.

10:36 a.m. Senator Enget seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Dale Patten	Y
Senator Greg Kessel	Y
Senator Todd Beard	Y
Senator Keith Boehm	Y
Senator Mark Enget	Y
Senator Justin Gerhardt	Y
Senator Desiree Van Oosting	Y

Motion Passed 7-0-0.

10:37 a.m. Senator Enget will carry the bill.

10:38 a.m. Chairman Patten closed the hearing.

Kendra McCann, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HCR 3009 ([25.3052.01000](#))

Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Patten, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3009 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This resolution does not affect workforce development.



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