

Ryan's "A Better Way" for Economy Focuses on Reducing Power of Big Government

Speaker Ryan's Policy Agenda for the Economy



Regulate smarter

Ensure the rules that are made are efficient and effective and small businesses are protected from disproportionate impacts



Affordable and reliable energy

Produce U.S. energy resources responsibly, end delays of projects and jobs



Crack down on lawsuit abuse

Reform the system to develop protections for small businesses and consumers



End bailouts and promote financial independence

End Wall Street bailouts and ensure hard workers are rewarded for their work



Preserve Internet innovation

Establish clear rules that are consumer-friendly for the FCC and its regulatory powers



Put students and workers first

Minimize bureaucratic processes to make it easier for Americans to excel in school and at work

Sources: "A Better Way, Our Vision for a Confident America: The Economy," Office of Speaker of the House, June 14, 2016; Jack Fitzpatrick, "Ryan's Energy Policy Agenda Requires A Republican White House," Morning Consult, June 14, 2016; NounProject, Andrew Doane, Gayatri, Thomas Uebe, Phil Laver, Mike Ashley, Edward Boatman.

Energy Specific Initiatives Would Require a Republican Controlled Congress to Gain Traction

Impacts of the “A Better Way” Proposal on Energy Policy

Proposal	Impact
<i>Rewrite Five Year Outer-Continental Shelf and Natural Gas Leasing Plan</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• With rewrites, leases can be added to existing plans which could foster responsible offshore energy production• Allows for a faster response to market dynamics and national needs
<i>Give States Greater Control of Federal Land</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• States will be able to petition to allow more economic activity on lands within state borders• States will still need to manage lands in compliance with U.S. law
<i>Broader Use of Data from Independent Sources</i>	Expedite review processes for applications for drilling and other land use programs/initiatives
<i>Impose Budgets for Agencies Regulations</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decrease the number of regulations certain agencies could complete if the costs of their regulations exceed the budget set• Credits can be allocated to those agencies that repeal regulations
<i>Regulatory Review “Shot Clock” on Project Permitting</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aiming to decrease the average days to approve projects like Bureau of Land Managements 227 average processing time• Eliminate lengthy permitting, even if it requires timely rejections so companies can determine if they would like to pursue legal action

Analysis

- This is the third part of Speaker Ryan’s policy proposals and many of the proposals would **reverse actions put into place by the Obama Administration.**
- The proposal as a whole aims to reduce regulatory powers and costs of regulations in place.
- **The Searching For and Cutting Regulations that Are Unnecessarily Burdensome Act (SCRUB Act)** aims to eliminate many of the unnecessary regulations referenced and has passed the House but stalled in the Senate.
- Ryan’s proposal calls for the **EPA to withdraw its Waters of the United States rule** which has expanded the EPA’s jurisdiction in regulating water pollution and has been contested in the Supreme Court and criticized by many Republicans as overreach.

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