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(House Rules)

STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

H.J. Res. 20 – A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Energy relating to “Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Gas-fired Instantaneous Water Heaters.”

(Rep. Palmer, R-AL, and 27 cosponsors)

The Administration strongly supports passage of H.J. Res. 20, a joint resolution to disapprove the rule submitted by the Department of Energy (DOE) relating to “Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Gas-fired Instantaneous Water Heaters.”

The December 26, 2024 rule adopts amended energy conservation standards for gas-fired instantaneous water heaters. DOE also set standards for non-condensing gas-fired instantaneous water heaters which are popular among homeowners and small business owners.

This rule’s impact on the water heater market could set a dangerous precedent for further restrictions on natural gas appliances, making it harder for American home owners to maintain affordable living standards. The rule promotes more expensive condensing gas water heaters and creates hurdles for remodeling and replacement projects.

If this bill were presented to the President in its current form, his advisors would recommend that he sign it into law.

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