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STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

H.R. 6409 – Foreign Emissions and Nonattainment Clarification for Economic Stability (FENCES) Act

(Rep. Pfluger, R-TX, and two cosponsors)

The Administration strongly supports passage of H.R. 6409, the Foreign Emissions and Nonattainment Clarification for Economic Stability (FENCES) Act. The bill would clarify that all foreign emissions are excluded when the Environmental Protection Agency determines whether states meet national air quality standards.

Under the Clean Air Act (CAA), geographic areas that exceed pollution limits are labeled “non-attainment areas.” States may be pushed into non-attainment when foreign sources overwhelm local air quality, even when the states are fully compliant themselves. H.R. 6409 would bring long-overdue clarity and fairness standards to the CAA by ensuring states are not penalized for emissions originating outside the United States. The bill would protect states, along with U.S. energy producers and manufacturers, from costly and unnecessary compliance requirements.

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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