

Rep. Hudson Opening Statement 2/14/18 Full Committee Markup

Chairman Walden and Ranking Member Pallone, thank you for holding today's markup on my bill, H.R. 3477, the Ceiling Fan Energy Conservation Harmonization Act.

This is a commonsense, bipartisan bill that harmonizes two upcoming compliance dates for ceiling fans: a light kit and a motor standard. This fan-tastic legislation will allow both to go into effect in 2020, saving millions of American consumers from a price increase on a product they need and depend on.

I am not one to blow hot air, but I want to highlight that this bill has virtually no opposition, and has strong bipartisan support, including from my friend—the Ranking Member of the Energy Subcommittee, Mr. Bobby Rush and my colleague from North Carolina, Mr. G.K. Butterfield. I appreciate them working with me in a bipartisan way to advance this legislation. I know that we have been going round and round on this issue for some time so I am glad the temperature in the room has finally cooled down and I am grateful for the committee's leadership and commitment to get this over the finish line.

Thank you again Mr. Chairman for including my legislation on today's agenda and I look forward to turning up the speed on this process and getting this bill signed into law.