

Today, the Subcommittee will hold a legislative hearing on three bills that further the important goals of the broader Committee: first, a bill regarding federal coal lease moratoriums, second, the Transparency and Honesty in Energy Regulations Act of 2017, and third, a discussion draft regarding mineral withdrawals and leases in Minnesota.

Ms. Cheney's H.R. 1778, a bill regarding federal coal lease moratoriums, requires congressional approval of any order by the Secretary of Interior imposing a moratorium on coal leasing – preventing one facet of our nation's energy policy from falling prey to the partisan whims of any administration.

The second bill, Mr. Jenkins' H.R. 3117, the Transparency and Honesty in Energy Regulations Act of 2017, prohibits the use of ambiguous metrics in environmental rulemaking. Metrics such as the social cost of carbon, social cost of methane, and the social cost of nitrous oxide should be based on sound science.

Finally, the third bill, Mr. Emmer's discussion draft, provides certainty and will allow responsible mineral production to continue in Minnesota. This bipartisan effort rejects unwarranted actions pursued by the previous administration that will block the creation of thousands of American jobs and cost the U.S. economy billions of dollars. Rather than explain myself how important this legislation is

though, I'll let the people of Minnesota speak for themselves with this short video.