



Independent Women Applauds House Passage of H.J. R. 24

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Dear Members of Congress,

On behalf of Independent Women, I strongly applaud the House of Representatives for passing a resolution of disapproval ([H. J. Res 24](#)) pertaining to Department of Energy (DOE) energy efficiency standards for walk-in coolers and walk-in freezers by Rep. Stephanie Bice (R-OK). Independent Women fights for women and their loved ones by effectively expanding support for policy solutions that aren't just well-intended but actually enhance people's freedom, opportunities, and well-being.

The Biden-era War on Household Appliances undermined energy dominance and raised average household costs by **\$9,000**. By the Biden administration's own admission, net-zero efficiency standards were **forecasted** to save American families a paltry \$100 annually.

The finalized DOE rule claimed new cooler and freezer standards will save consumers between \$18 to \$1,200 on life-cycle costs (LCC). The agency **said**, "walk-in non-display door and refrigeration system industries would incur total conversion costs of \$28.9 million and \$60.1 million, respectively." However, the cost of compliance for this rule, if finalized by 2027, would increase equipment costs by \$70.7 million annually.

Energy efficiency standards on appliances should be determined by the best available science, not radical net-zero climate posturing.

For all these reasons, we urge the Senate to work toward the swift passage of this joint resolution. Independent Women thanks Representative Bice for her leadership on this issue.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Gabriella Hoffman'.

Gabriella Hoffman
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