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From page 5 shale oil production or the development of carbon sequestration technologies for coal plants. Combined, these power sources and technologies represent America's best chance to both reduce carbon emissions and reach energy independence.

Shackling this nation's ability to exploit domestic sources of energy, as the Clean Energy and Security Act does, will force the United States to remain dependent on volatile nations at enmity against us.

This terrible bill is a stick with which Congress would beat American industry and American consumers. It's the wrong tack to take in a free market society.

Washington should instead employ a series of carrots, such as streamlining the permitting process to build new fuel refineries and shortening the depreciation schedule, so refinery builders can more quickly recoup the costs of their capital investments.

Lawmakers should enact streamlined regulatory and tax regimes for building new nuclear power plants. They should pass new incentives for development of clean coal technologies, including tax-free prizes for innovation breakthroughs. And encourage the production of new cars that run on a variety of fuel types, broadening choice and price competition for

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From page 7 at her home in Philadelphia.

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fuel. Such market-driven measures will reduce our dependence on foreign oil, cut energy costs and slash our carbon dioxide emissions. Relying on American innovation is a more palatable answer to climate change than a punishing regime of federal regulation.

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