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The American Rescue Plan's Energy and Climate Provisions

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House Democrats have proposed to appropriate \$5 billion for energy and climate efforts as part of the American Rescue Plan. Similar to previous COVID-19 aid packages, this proposal will provide funding for energy and water programs that aid low-income households, writes AAF's Director of Energy Policy Ewelina Czaplá, but it will also include funding for environmental justice programs within federal agencies.

An excerpt:

Like earlier stimulus packages, the Energy and Commerce Committee's proposal includes funding for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). The proposal would appropriate \$4.5 billion for LIHEAP that will remain available through September 30, 2022. Similarly, the Low-Income Household Drinking Water and Wastewater Emergency Assistance Program would receive an additional \$500 million that would remain available through September 30, 2023.

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