

# Mann's talk should spur Pa. congressional delegation

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Thank you for Ad Crable's coverage of Michael Mann's climate change talk (Nov 7).

Mann emphasized climate change's urgency saying the climate can still be stabilized with quick action to reduce emissions. Readers should urge Sens. Bob Casey and Pat Toomey to sponsor climate change legislation.

Recently the Senate demonstrated it can pass tough, bipartisan legislation the majority of Americans want with the Employment Non-Discrimination Act.

Sen. Toomey played an especially important role in the historic ENDA vote. He can again be a hero by supporting legislation to use the free market to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Congress should pass a revenue-neutral carbon tax to adjust fuel prices. Once fuel prices account for environmental damage caused by the fuel, consumers will opt for efficiencies and will switch to clean energy.

Meanwhile, private investors will understand investments in fossil fuels endeavors will be devalued, while investments in renewable energy projects will thrive. More investment in renewable energy will grow the economy, increase jobs and reduce the cost of electricity from renewables. Carbon tax rebates to individuals will help us through the transition, and border taxes on imports will encourage China to initiate an emissions reduction plan. The matter is urgent.

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