Pressure Congress

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Dear Editor,

Kudos to the city of Austin for planning to be emissions-free by 2050 ["Climate Change: City Targets Zero Emissions," News, May 23]. However, there is a serious disconnect between what the city wants to accomplish and what their congressional delegates are voting for in Congress. Even though Austin wants to act on climate change, last week the U.S. House of Representatives voted to prevent the military from using information from scientific studies on climate change to guide their planning of national security. Are they nuts? Why would anyone want to prevent the military from using information gathered by our nation's finest scientists?

Readers should please call their congressmen and insist that Congress acknowledge the seriousness of climate change and pass national climate-change legislation, creating incentives to make it easier for every city and town to lower their emissions. Judy Weiss

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