Urge Heller, Amodei to back climate bills

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Nancy Brune's excellent opinion piece praised bipartisan climate change efforts of Governors Sandoval and Brown, and praised a House Republican resolution that hopes to move Congress to enact bipartisan legislative solutions to the growing dangers that more extreme weather events present ["Bipartisanship needed to fight climate change," Voices, Sept. 30]. The House resolution was introduced by Rep. Chris Gibson and 10 other Republican Representatives.

There's more reason for praise. On Oct. 1, Gibson co-sponsored a bipartisan briefing with Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI). The briefing, organized with help from CERES (nonprofit sustainability advocacy organization that mobilizes many of the world's largest corporations to provide leadership on climate and sustainability), featured CEOs from many of our largest food producers. These agricultural corporations issued statements promising to accelerate their climate change efforts, and urging world governments to establish clear policy in Paris. These large food producers also issued a joint letter promising "to advocate for governments to set clear, achievable, measurable and enforceable science-based targets for carbon emissions reductions."

They didn't specify preferred policies, but the clearest, most efficient way to reduce emissions is with carbon pricing.

Readers should urge Sen. Dean Heller and Rep. Mark Amodei to support Gibson and his Republican colleagues in creating a bipartisan atmosphere for climate legislation.

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