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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 2026

Ms. TLAIB introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Make DTE Pay Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. CLEAN AIR ACT PENALTY ENHANCEMENT.**

6 Section 120(b) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
7 7420(b)) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (8), by striking “and” after
2 the semicolon;

3 (2) in paragraph (9), by striking “(d)(4).” and
4 inserting “(d)(4); and”; and

5 (3) by adding after paragraph (9) the following:

6 “(10) notwithstanding any other provision of
7 this section, require the State or the Administrator
8 to, with respect to a noncomplying stationary source
9 that is owned or operated by an investor-owned elec-
10 tric utility or gas utility, adjust the amount of the
11 penalty assessed, by increasing the penalty by an
12 amount that is equal to the amount of the original
13 assessment, for each rate increase that the utility—

14 “(A) received in the 2-year period pre-
15 ceding the original assessment of the penalty;
16 and

17 “(B) seeks in the 2-year period following
18 the original assessment (regardless of whether
19 such rate increase is approved or is pending be-
20 fore a regulatory authority).”.

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