

*Administration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., 2023*

**Message to the Senate Returning Without Approval Legislation Regarding Congressional Disapproval of an Environmental Protection Agency Rule Relating to the Control of Air Pollution From New Motor Vehicles**

*June 14, 2023*

*To the Senate of the United States:*

I am returning herewith without my approval S.J. Res. 11, a resolution that would disapprove the rule entitled "Control of Air Pollution From New Motor Vehicles: Heavy-Duty Engine and Vehicle Standards."

This rule amends the Environmental Protection Agency's heavy-duty emissions control program—including its standards, test procedures, and other requirements—to further reduce the air quality impacts of heavy-duty engines. The rule cuts pollution, boosts public health, and advances environmental justice in communities across the country. It will prevent hundreds, if not thousands, of premature deaths; thousands of childhood asthma cases; and millions of missed school days every year.

The resolution would deny communities these health benefits by resulting in weaker emissions standards for heavy-duty vehicles and engines, which are significant sources of pollutants that threaten public health. If enacted, the resolution would squander \$36 billion in benefits to society—and an opportunity to lead on the defining crisis of our time.

Therefore, I am vetoing this resolution.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR.

The White House,  
June 14, 2023.

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