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H. R. 2150

To increase the amount of direct loans that may be provided by the Secretary of Energy to improve facilities for advanced technology vehicle manufacturing.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2009

Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. UPTON, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. STUPAK, Ms. SUTTON, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. McCOTTER, Mr. SCHAUER, Mr. PETERS, Mr. HILL, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. DONNELLY of Indiana, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. BACA, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. KAPTUR, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. GORDON of Tennessee, Mr. CAMP, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. WILSON of Ohio, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. SOUDER, Ms. KILROY, Mr. HOEKSTRA, and Mr. YARMUTH) 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. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) Reducing the United States dependence on
2 foreign oil and reducing carbon emissions are urgent
3 national priorities.

4 (2) Automobile manufacturers and component
5 suppliers are working together to develop the tech-
6 nologies necessary for advanced technology vehicles
7 that will improve the fuel economy of our Nation's
8 fleets.

9 (3) Section 136 of the Energy Independence
10 and Security Act of 2007 authorized the Advanced
11 Technology Vehicle Manufacturing Incentive Pro-
12 gram to assist manufacturers with retooling, expand-
13 ing, or establishing new manufacturing facilities to
14 produce advanced technology vehicles and their com-
15 ponents. Congress fully appropriated funding to pro-
16 vide \$25,000,000,000 in direct loans under the pro-
17 gram as part of the fiscal year 2009 continuing res-
18 olution.

19 (4) By December 31, 2008, the Department of
20 Energy had received applications from component
21 suppliers and auto manufacturers seeking loans well
22 in excess of the \$25,000,000,000 authorized.

23 (5) The Federal Government, automakers, and
24 suppliers must be full partners in developing the
25 technology and investing in the manufacturing capa-

1 bilities necessary to ensure that the next generation
2 of fuel efficient automobiles is produced in the
3 United States.

4 (6) It is in the interest of the United States to
5 maintain a strong manufacturing base that leads the
6 world in advanced technologies, and as part of a
7 comprehensive strategy to reduce our dependence on
8 foreign oil and reduce carbon emissions, to increase
9 the authorization for direct loans under section 136
10 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of
11 2007 to \$50,000,000,000 in order to accelerate the
12 manufacture and deployment of these highly effi-
13 cient vehicles.

14 **SEC. 2. ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY VEHICLE MANUFAC-**
15 **TURING INCENTIVE LOANS.**

16 Section 136(d)(1) of the Energy Independence and
17 Security Act of 2007 (42 U.S.C. 17013(d)(1)) is amended
18 by striking “\$25,000,000,000” and inserting
19 “\$50,000,000,000”.

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