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As you all know by now, the House and Senate passed the energy package last week. After the vote, we have many lawmakers we need to thank for voting against the energy package. Specifically Reps. Acciavatti, Garfield, Meltzer, Scott, Agema, Green, Moss, Shaffer, Amos, Hoogendyk, Nitz, Sheen, Brandenburg, Huizenga, Opsommer, Stahl, Casperson, David Law, Palmer, Stakoe, Dean, Marleau, Pavlov, Steil, DeRoche, Meekhof, Pearce, Wenke and Emmons; along with Sens. Birkholz, Hardiman, Kahn, Van Woerkom, Brown, Jansen, Kuipers, Whitmer, George, Jelinek and Sanborn for voting against HB 5524. A complete list of the vote count is available by [clicking here](#). Please spend a few moments and let them know you appreciate their support.

While the legislation did not turn out as we had hoped, there is still some room for customers who believe they are paying too much for electricity to shift to another provider. We urge you to contact marketers immediately; with only 10 percent of utility load open for choice and rates going up, some customers may be shut out.

We all must continue to work with our customers and members to ensure as many as possible are taking advantage of this opportunity. Once the choice load is subscribed, pressure will be on lawmakers to revisit this issue - or explain to customers why they have to pay higher rates than their competitors.

We will continue to monitor the situation closely as Michigan still has the highest electric rates in the Midwest. There is little doubt that this bill will exacerbate that situation, but only time will truly tell.

If you missed any of the media coverage last week, it is all available on the Customer Choice Coalition website, or by [clicking here](#).

Thanks again for all your support in pushing for competition, choice and markets in electricity. We believe economic forces will prove our cause continues to be right.

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