

August 3, 2022

Dear Senator

As a coalition of labor unions and environmental organizations, collectively representing millions of members and supporters, the BlueGreen Alliance and its partners write in support of the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 and urge Congress to pass it without delay.

We believe this bill will make our nation and economy stronger, cleaner, and more just. The robust investments included in this package will support and create good union jobs, help fight inflation, lower healthcare and energy costs, reinvest in domestic manufacturing, build secure supply chains, and make our economy less dependent on volatile global prices. At the same time, it will take bold action to confront the climate crisis, invest in economic and racial justice programs, support clean air and water, and power our nation for generations to come.

The Inflation Reduction Act demonstrates that we don't have to choose between good jobs and a clean environment, as some falsely claim. This legislation supports both. The bill does not include some critical investments, like support for dislocated energy workers and good-paying, union jobs in the care economy, which we will continue to fight for moving forward.

We applaud the work that has been done to assemble this bill and are ready to work with you to get it over the finish line.

Sincerely,

BlueGreen Alliance United Steelworkers Sierra Club Natural Resources Defense Council Service Employees International Union National Wildlife Federation Utility Workers Union of America Union of Concerned Scientists American Federation of Teachers United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters Environmental Defense Action Fund International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers League of Conservation Voters International Union of Painters and Allied Trades