

July 20, 2015

Dear Senator:

The undersigned public health and medical organizations urge you to oppose S. 1324, the "Affordable and Reliable Electricity Now Act (ARENA) of 2015." This bill would put lives at risk by delaying and blocking critical clean air protections.

Carbon pollution leads to climate change that threatens Americans' health. As U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy, MD, MBA, said during 2015 National Public Health Week, "We know that climate change means higher temperatures overall, and it also means longer and hotter heat waves... higher

Sincerely,

Allergy & Asthma Network

American Lung Association

American Public Health Association

Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America

Health Care Without Harm

National Environmental Health Association

Trust for America's Health