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Cosponsors: Senators Cirino, DeMora, Antonio, Lang, Reineke, Smith

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Urging Pre	sident Biden,	the Uni	ted	States	Departm	nent of	1
Energy,	and the Cong	ress of	the	United	States	to designate	2
federal	funding for 3	hydrogen	hub	s in Oh	nio.		3

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act	4
provides funds for the transmission of hydrogen energy and	5
support of the Grid Deployment Office, which will oversee	6
research and development of advanced transmission and	7
electricity distribution technologies, as well as demonstration	8
projects and research hubs for next generation technologies,	9
such as hydrogen energy; and	10
WHEREAS, The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will	11
provide support for the Hydrogen Shot Initiative and dedicate	12
more resources for the utilization of hydrogen fuel by providing	13
funding over five years to the United States Department of	14
Energy for the establishment of six to ten hydrogen hubs to	15
produce clean hydrogen; and	16
WHEREAS, Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act,	17
at least one of the hydrogen hubs should employ the use of	18
fossil fuels coupled with carbon capture, at least one should	19

employ renewable energy, and at least one should employ nuclear energy; and

WHEREAS, At least one hub must demonstrate hydrogen use in power generation, at least one hub must demonstrate hydrogen use in the industrial sector, at least one hub must demonstrate hydrogen use in residential and commercial heating, and at least one hub must demonstrate hydrogen use in transportation; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing the value of hydrogen hubs, the United27States Congress has directed the United States Department of28Energy to solicit proposals for regional hubs; and29

WHEREAS, The Great Lakes Clean Hydrogen coalition, a30hydrogen hub based primarily on nuclear energy and supplemented31by solar energy, submitted a concept paper and subsequently32received encouragement from the United States Department of33Energy to develop and submit a full hydrogen hub application;34and35

WHEREAS, The Appalachian Regional Clean Hydrogen Hub36(ARCH2), a hydrogen hub based primarily on natural gas,37submitted a concept paper and subsequently received38encouragement from the United States Department of Energy to39develop and submit a full hydrogen hub application; and40

WHEREAS, Ohio is an ideal location for the production and use of hydrogen due to readily available nuclear power and natural gas and a diverse manufacturing base of industrial offtake partners that could enable decarbonization in the mobility, steel, aviation, and glass industries, among others; and

WHEREAS, The residents of Ohio would benefit greatly from47the establishment of these hydrogen hubs, which would not only48bring new jobs and stimulate the economy of the state, but would49also provide environmental benefits to Ohio's citizens and50

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position Ohio to be a leader of a new and growing alternative				
hydrogen-based energy technology; now therefore be it	52			
RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 135th General	53			
Assembly of the State of Ohio, urge the Biden Administration and				
the Congress of the United States to designate federal funding				
for the hydrogen hubs in Ohio; and be it further				
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly	57			
authenticated copies of this Resolution to:	58			
(A) The President of the United States;	59			
(B) The President pro tempore of the United States Senate;	60			
(C) The Speaker of the United States House of	61			
Representatives;				
(D) The Secretary of the United States Department of	63			
Energy;	64			
(E) Ohio's Congressional delegation;	65			
(F) Each member of the Ohio General Assembly.	66			