

Dear Friend,

Being environmentally-friendly and budget-conscious doesn't always go hand in hand. Making energy efficiency improvements to your home or office can cost thousands of dollars, and oftentimes it takes years before consumers earn their money back through savings on their energy bills.

I recently introduced legislation that will make it easier and more cost-efficient for you to green your home or business.

My bill, H.R. 3836, would transform the financing available to consumers for clean energy and energy efficiency retrofits with the help of the Department of Energy's loan guarantee program. If passed, homeowners and businesses will be able to finance these retrofits with Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) bonds from their local municipality. These bonds make it possible for the consumer to go green at little to no cost now and reap the rewards immediately.

You can read my recent op-ed that ran in Roll Call about the need for PACE bonds [here](#) . For more information, you can also visit [the PACE bonds section of my website](#)

Sincerely,

Steve Israel
Member of Congress