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Level the Playing Field

Eliminate CAPS on renewable energy and establish a CAP for:

- The number of lobbyists the utilities can employ.
- The maximum cumulative expenditure utilities can make for lobbying, political contributions and misinformation advertising.

Require utilities to be zero carbon by mitigating one for one in the state for their carbon emissions.

Establish a carbon tax paid by all carbon emitting utilities and industries with the proceeds used to help fund renewable energy incentives.

Eliminate tax credits, subsidies, grants, etc. for carbon producing power plants and industry.
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- Create tax credits, subsidies, grants, etc. for zero carbon renewable energy.
- Push Federal Government to eliminate tax credits, subsidies, etc for carbon producing fuel production, electricity production and industry; and create tax credits, subsidies, etc. for zero carbon renewable energy.
- Establish public education demonstrating the benefits of renewable energy.
- Eliminate barriers such as the current application process for renewable energy.
- Meaningful deregulation of the Utility Industry – Give the people of Florida a choice.
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- Reduce Energy Demand by 75%
- Modify the Florida Building Code to require ultra energy efficient retrofit and new construction.
- It is feasible today to reduce energy demand by 75%.
- A 75% reduction in energy demand minimizes the cost of zero carbon renewable energy and eliminates the need for additional power plants in the state forever.
- Require all State funded buildings to reduce energy demand by 75%. (State and Educational buildings are not required to follow the Florida Building Code)

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- Provide Incentives for zero carbon renewable energy instead of carbon energy.
- Adopt or exceed New Jersey cogeneration and incentive policies.
- Currently: 75% Tax credit, grant or subsidies is needed for zero carbon renewable energy to be financially feasible. (Current policy provides a 75% incentive for ethanol)
- Solar Panel efficiency is projected to double within 24 months.

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- The private sector is ready for renewable energy.
- The People of Florida need a progressive Renewable Energy Policy and a financial incentive program to make zero carbon renewable energy a reality.