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LNG: Republican Attorneys General Push Sham Lawsuit that Would Raise Bills for American Families on Behalf of their Oil & Gas Industry Funders

Washington, D.C. – [Sixteen Republican Attorneys General](#) are rushing to the aid of big oil and gas executives with a new lawsuit challenging the Biden administration's temporary pause on new LNG export authorizations that protects consumers and national security, advocates are blasting these attacks on the common sense pause as another effort to bail out campaign donors at the expense of American families.

In response, Kendall Witmer, spokesperson for Protect US Families, released the following statement:

“This is a shameless and transparent effort by a handful of reckless politicians who are trying to do yet another favor for the oil and gas executives who've been giving them millions of dollars in campaign cash. President Biden's pause on LNG exports saves American families money on their bills and protects our national security, so this lawsuit to directly undermine it is a clear demonstration that these politicians are more interested in giving handouts to Big Oil instead of fighting for their constituents.”

The Attorneys General behind this latest effort have deep ties to the oil and gas industry that is desperately trying to attack the Administration's action. A [quick glance](#) at their financial relationships reveals:

- Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton counts the oil and gas industry as his top campaign donor, receiving over [\\$4 million](#) to his campaigns between 2002 and 2023.
- Louisiana's Liz Murrill received over [\\$174,000](#) from oil and gas (Don't forget that former Attorney General and current Governor Jeff Landry received [\\$1,128,148](#) from the oil and gas industry for earlier campaigns, and was on the board of an oil company *while* Attorney General until March of 2023.)
- Florida's Ashley Moody collected [\\$339,000](#) and Arkansas' Tim Griffin took over [\\$338,000](#) from the oil and gas industry, while Lynn Fitch of Mississippi took at least [\\$78,450](#).
- The Republican Attorneys General Association has taken more than \$10 million from fossil fuel companies, electric utilities and their trade groups over the last decade.

Meanwhile, new [data](#) shows that Americans are paying the price for US LNG exported overseas. The National Bureau of Economic Research [released a working paper](#) stating that the “U.S. dominance of global natural gas markets imposes a tax on American consumers, more

than doubling the price that they were paying when the United States was keeping much of its natural gas for itself.”

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