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STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

H.R. 2417 – Better Use of Light Bulbs Act

(Rep. Barton, R-TX, and 33 cosponsors)

The Administration opposes HR 2417, which would repeal energy efficiency standards for light bulbs, because it would result in negative economic consequences for U.S. consumers and the economy. The Department of Energy has estimated that the lighting standards that H.R. 2417 would repeal could collectively save U.S. households nearly \$6 billion in 2015 alone. These standards are: (1) helping to drive U.S. innovation; (2) creating new manufacturing jobs in the United States; (3) saving consumers money by providing them with energy and cost efficient lighting; and (4) reducing harmful greenhouse gas emissions. Further, H.R. 2417 is unnecessary. Any type of bulb can be sold as long as it meets the efficiency requirements. In sum, the bill would hinder an opportunity to save American consumers money, while enhancing energy efficiency and reducing harmful emissions associated with energy production.

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