The "Electricity Emergency Relief Act" being drafted by Rep. Joe Barton is intended to help California address the current electricity crisis. Unfortunately, the legislation, if enacted, would exacerbate California's problems by increasing energy costs, undermining state efforts to respond to the electricity crisis, and weakening important environmental protections. **Documents and Links**

- Summary of Rep. Waxman's Analysis of the Bill
- Rep. Waxman's Detailed Analysis
- Rep. Waxman's Statement