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Member	District	Presidential Support Score
Heinrich, Martin (D)	NM-Senior	100.00%

(Presidential Support Score, [CQ](#), Accessed 08/26/24)

Martin Heinrich has been described as providing New Mexico a “progressive voice.”

- Heinrich worked on labor and conservation politics, which endeared him to local progressives. “Heinrich won that election and spent the next few years working on labor issues, conservation politics—the mayor at the time was floating plans to build a road through a landscape of ancient petroglyphs—transport policy, and other themes that endeared him to local progressives.” (Sasha Abramsky, “A New Progressive Voice From New Mexico Joins the Senate,” [The Nation](#), 5/13/13)

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A New Progressive Voice From New Mexico Joins the Senate

One of the youngest and poorest senators, Martin Heinrich rose to the top as a supporter of labor and environmental issues.

By *Sasha Abramsky* 

(Sasha Abramsky, “A New Progressive Voice From New Mexico Joins the Senate,” [The Nation](#), 5/13/13)

Martin Heinrich voted for cap-and-trade legislation that could lead to over 11,000 lost New Mexico jobs, increased gas prices, and increased electricity costs in New Mexico, saying he was “proud to do so.”

- **Heinrich voted for H.R. 2454.** (H.R. 2454, [Vote Number 477](#), Passed: 219-212, Heinrich voted Yea, 6/26/09)
- **H.R. 2454 would lead to a loss of 11,450 jobs due to the cap-and-trade provision.** “As the economy adjusts to shrinking gross domestic product (GDP) and rising energy prices, employment will take a big hit in New Mexico. Beginning in 2012, job losses will be 9,875 higher than without a cap-and-trade bill in place. And the number of jobs lost will only go up, increasing to 11,450 by 2035.” (David Kreutzer, Nicolas Loris, Ben Lieberman, Karen Campbell and William Beach, “Impact of the Waxman - Markey Climate Change Legislation on New Mexico,” [Heritage Foundation](#), 8/19/09)
- **H.R. 2454 would lead to a rise in the average price of gasoline in New Mexico.** “Consumers would be hit hard. Between 2012 (when restrictions first apply) and 2035 (the last year of this analysis), the prices of electricity and gasoline will rise sharply when compared to prices in a world without cap and trade. By 2035, Americans living in the state of New Mexico will see their electricity prices rise by \$1,271.33 and their gasoline prices rise by \$1.26 per gallon solely because of Waxman - Markey.” (David Kreutzer, Nicolas Loris, Ben Lieberman, Karen Campbell and William Beach, “Impact of the Waxman - Markey Climate Change Legislation on New Mexico,” [Heritage Foundation](#), 8/19/09)
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- **Heinrich said he was “proud” to support the legislation.** “Heinrich said he’s proud of his votes on two of the most controversial issues of the 111th Congress - the Obama health care legislation and a so-called cap-and-trade energy bill designed to curb greenhouse emissions.” (Michael Coleman, “A Race of Contrasts; Heinrich: Most Dem Efforts Good,” [Albuquerque Journal](#), 10/10/10)

