

6/25/19 Notes From Tuesday's Meeting with Katy

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Appropriations

As we were in the meeting, the House was voting on a minibus appropriations bill, [HR 2740](#)

Rep. Kilmer secured funding for local issues like Growler noise pollution and funding for rural health care. According to Katy, he also got \$4.5bn for humanitarian aid at the border whilst stopping funding family separations at the border and abusive detention centers.

His committee assignments for appropriations from govtrack.us:

House Committee on Appropriations

- Member, Subcommittee on [Defense](#)
- Member, Subcommittee on [Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies](#)
- Member, Subcommittee on [Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies](#)

Climate Bills

He has cosponsored:

[HR 9](#) - Paris Climate Agreement Standards

[HR 310](#) - Stopping drilling off the west coast

[HR 1146](#) - stops drilling in Alaska

[HR 1921](#) - fighting against ocean acidification. Kilmer's bill.

Will cosponsor:

[HR 978](#) - Clean and Efficient Cars Act

[HR 855](#) - to protect us from natural disasters

[HR 228](#) - to increase transportation alternatives

He is looking at:

[HR 279](#) - permanently banning drilling off the California coast

[HR 309](#) - stop Arctic ocean drilling. Smith and Jayapal are cosponsors.

[HR 330](#) - sets emission goals

[HR 763](#) - Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act: the closest to the Green New Deal

[HR 1201](#) - to ensure that climate change is considered for national security.

[HR 1243](#) - to help health professionals prepare for the effects of climate change

[H Res 109](#) - The Green New Deal resolution

Other Issues He is Looking at

[HR 41](#) - protection for minority banks

[HR 858](#) - regarding air controller's salaries

[HR 166](#) - Fair Lending for All

Health Care

He voted for [HR 987](#) - lowering prescription drug costs and banning junk health care plans.

He introduced [HR 2552](#) - enabling rural clinics to get fair pay

He cosponsored [HR 1884](#) - protecting those with pre-existing conditions

Campaign Reform

He introduced the Honest Ads Act last Congress: and has introduced it this session as [HR 2592](#). It's bipartisan; and although it is part of HR1, it has a better chance of passing th House and hopefully the Senate because it is a subsection.

Impeachment

We want Rep Kilmer to support an investigation into impeachment. So do 1/3 of House Dems. [BusinessInsider](#) If he does not, he throws them under the bus by not supporting them - and he is leaving a dangerous administration in power.

Ignored Sub poenas

We didn't understand why Trump's henchmen repeatedly dodge sub poenas and get away with it. Why are they not held in contempt of court? We think it is in process.

Talking Climate in PT

Indivisible Port Townsend are talking to Brendan in the Tacoma office about arranging Rep Kilmer to come and talk to them about what he is doing about climate change. He is the scheduler. He is leaving the position, but nonetheless he needs to hurry up, so Katy is going to follow up.

Green New Deal & Other Docs

We delivered:

The [WA state Green Deal](#) again - with new signatures.

A printout of the no fossil fuel pledge [that he said on a phone call that he couldn't sign because he didn't know w](#)here his campaign money came from (so we also delivered a printout of where his money comes from ;-))

An email from Rep Kilmer which he repeatedly emails out when emailed about the Green New Deal - we want it updated. She said he personally writes them and she'll pass it on.

A resolution from Jefferson County Dems asking for him to support the Green New Deal.

A letter from council members of Bainbridge asking for impeachment investigations.

3 letters from Mike Benefiel regarding war and healthcare. One indicated that the [New Democrats](#) (of whom Rep Kilmer is the chair) support war in Syria. She said they don't.

Notes saying that we want Rep Kilmer to push back against the new NFTA agreement that would lock environmental and labor rules sideways and overrule them. She said they are working hard on that.

Wars

We also want him to push back against war with Iran and sale of arms to Saudi Arabia.

Foreign Power Influence

We want a statement from Rep. Kilmer about Trump's statement that [he'd accept help in the election from a foreign power](#). Katy said that he had made one: but I don't see one on Twitter or his web site.

Climate Migration

It is over 100 degrees [in France](#) this week and people are flooding into the US from the northern triangle countries. In 2003 there were at least 35,000 deaths [from the heat in France](#). We need action on climate change.

Town Halls

There will be town halls in August.

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We want the \$735 bn in appropriations to be spent on education and affordable housing not weapons.

Low Yield Nukes

The low yield nukes are particularly dangerous because if a country sees one coming, they won't know if it is low yield or if it will destroy their whole country.