Incentivizing Non-Gasoline Powered Small Engines

Emissions from small non-road gas engines make up a disproportionate percentage of air pollution, given their small size. About 5 percent of U.S. non-climate air pollution comes from these small engines, primarily driven by lawn care devices like mowers and leaf blowers. These engines also account for about 4 percent of U.S. carbon dioxide emissions. There are more than 100 million of these small engines in North America and they include not just lawn equipment, but also engines used to power generators and outboard motors.

The intent of this resolution is to decrease greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution by encouraging adoption of alternatives to gasoline-powered small internal combustion engines, primarily used in landscaping and lawncare.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Izaak Walton League of America, assembled in Convention in Lincoln, Nebraska, July 29, 2023, calls on federal, state, and local governments to incentivize the development and deployment of alternatives to internal combustion engines for all non-road small engines.