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Key Findings

- •Voters In Each Of These Swing Districts See Global Warming As A Real And Serious Threat That Is Happening Now
- Voters In Each Swing District Believe Efforts To Reduce Global Warming Will Create Jobs, Not Eliminate Them
- •Voters In Each District Strongly Favor Action To Reduce Carbon Emissions
- •Large Majorities Support Key Elements Of The House Bill
- •There Is No Evidence That The Energy/Global Warming Bill Is Causing A Backlash
- •A Candidate Using Our Message Overwhelms An Opponent Using The Opposition's Arguments

Methodology

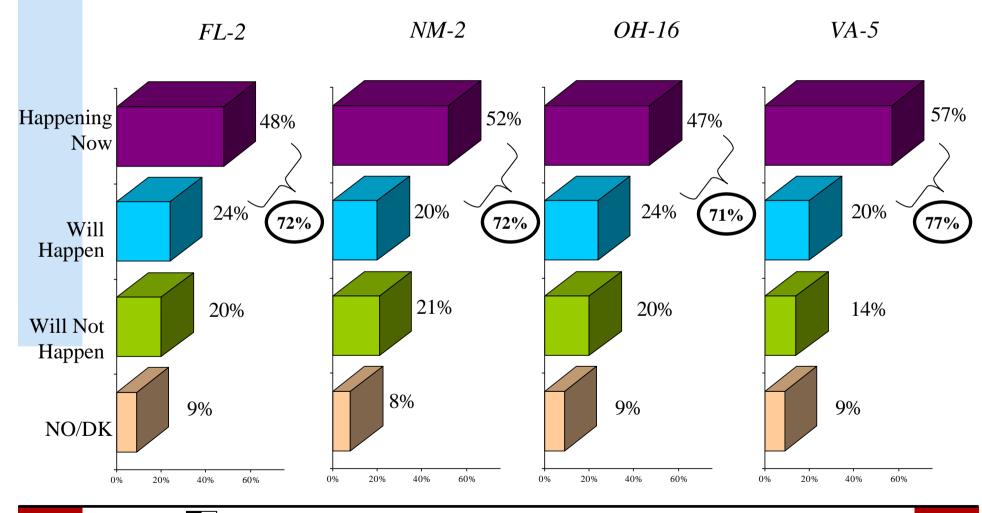


- Surveys In 4 Swing Congressional Districts In FL-2, NM-2, OH-16, And VA-5
- 400 Likely 2010 General Election Voters In Each District
- Interviews Conducted:
 - > FL-2: 7/30 8/02
 - > NM-2: 8/6 8/9
 - > OH-16: 8/17 − 8/19
 - > VA-5: 8/20 8/23
- Margin Of Error +/- 4.9% Overall, Higher For Subgroups

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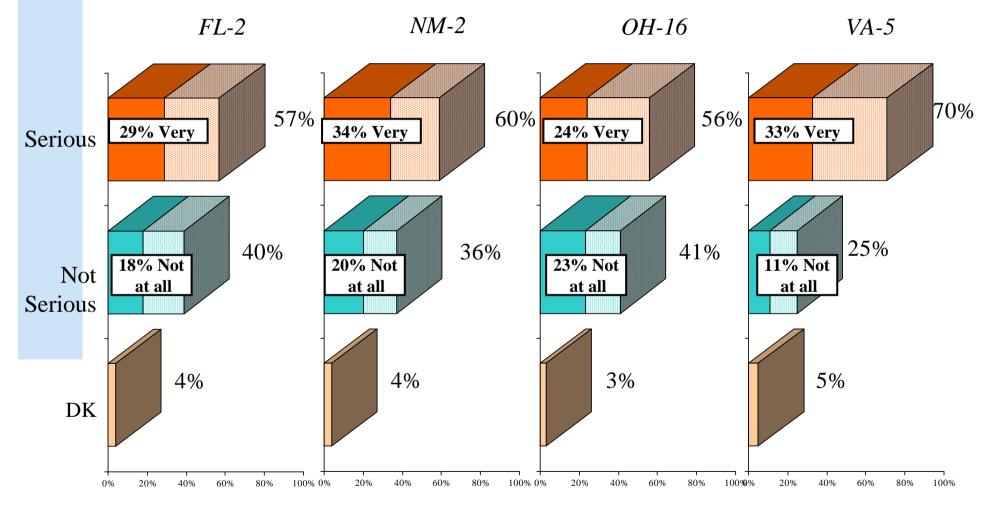
Large Majorities In Each District Believe Global Warming Is Either Happening Now Or Will Happen

Do you think that global warming is a problem happening now, do you think that global warming will happen in the future, or do you think that global warming will not happen – or don't you have an opinion on this?



Large Majorities In Each District Are Convinced That Global Warming Poses A Threat

Generally speaking, how serious of a threat do you think global warming is today – very serious, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not serious at all – or don't you have an opinion on this?



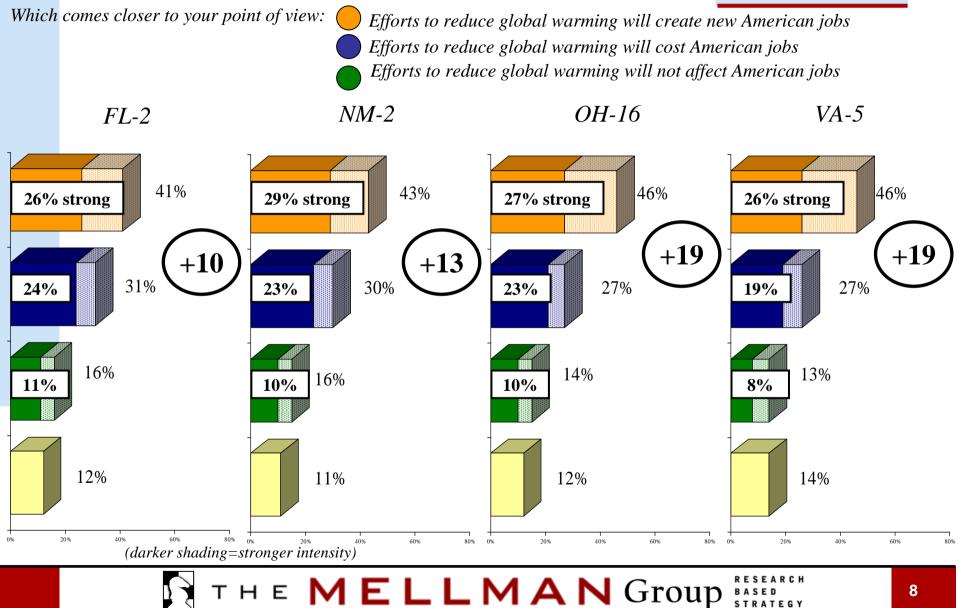
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Pluralities Across These Districts Believe Efforts To Reduce Global Warming Will Create Jobs

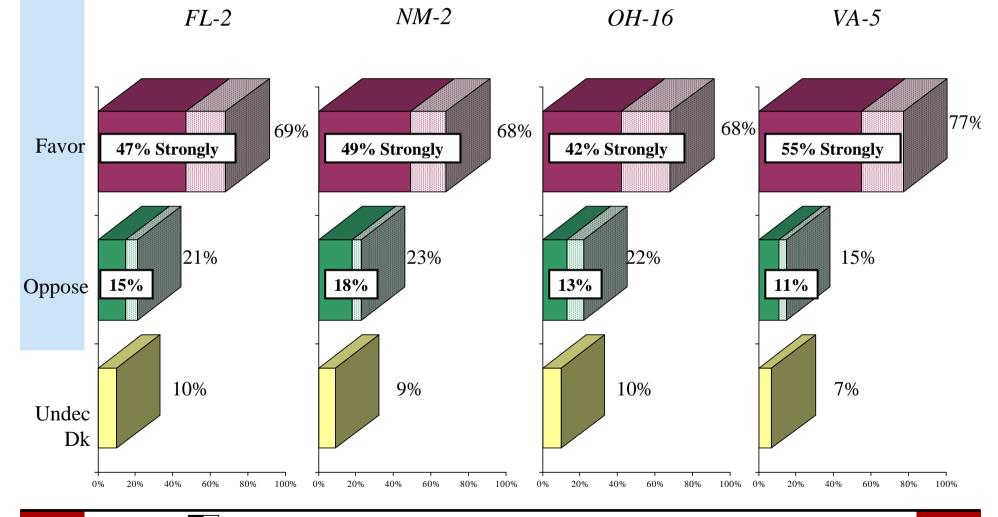


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Voters In Each Swing District Strongly Favor Action To Reduce Carbon Emissions

Support For Reducing Carbon Emissions Is Strong Across Districts

Do you favor or oppose the United States taking action to reduce it emissions of gases like carbon dioxide that cause global warming?



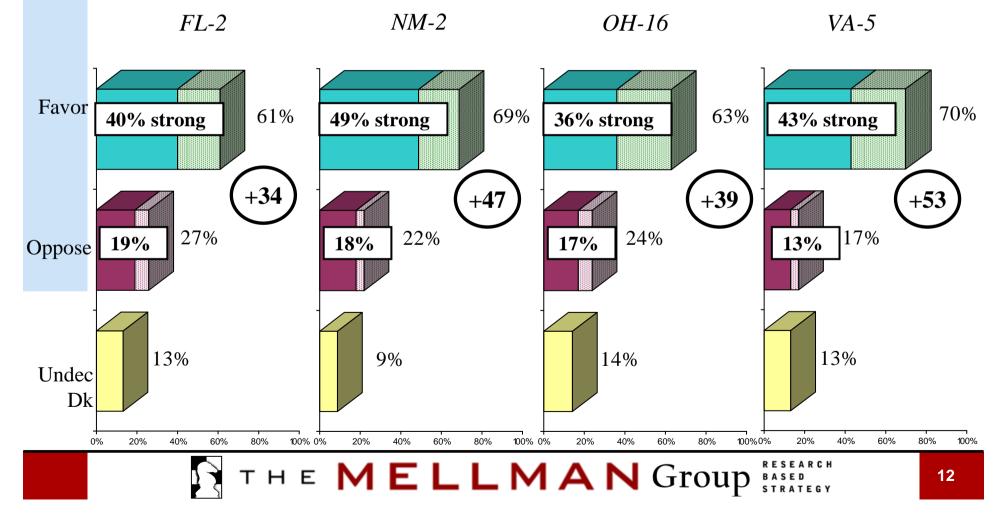
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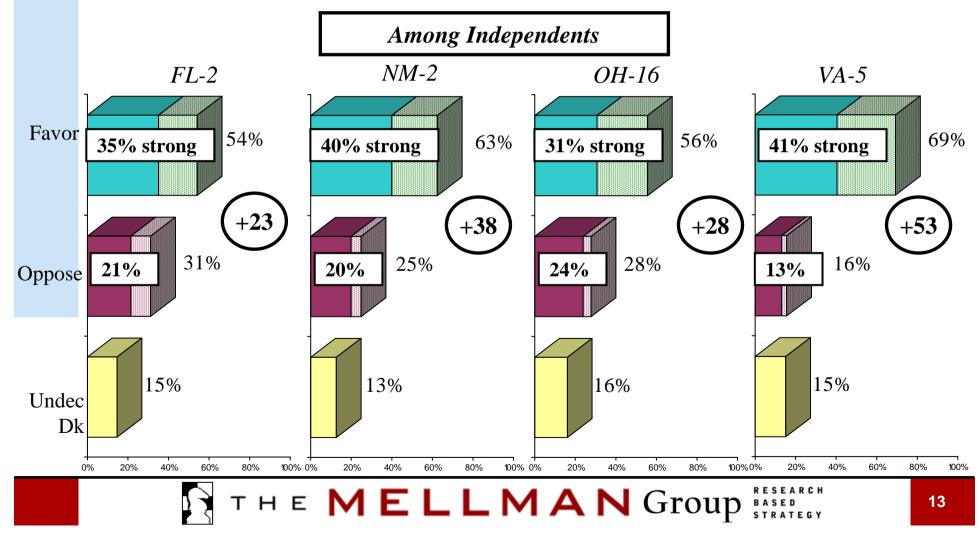
After Hearing A Description Of The Emissions Reduction And RES, Large Majorities Support The Plan

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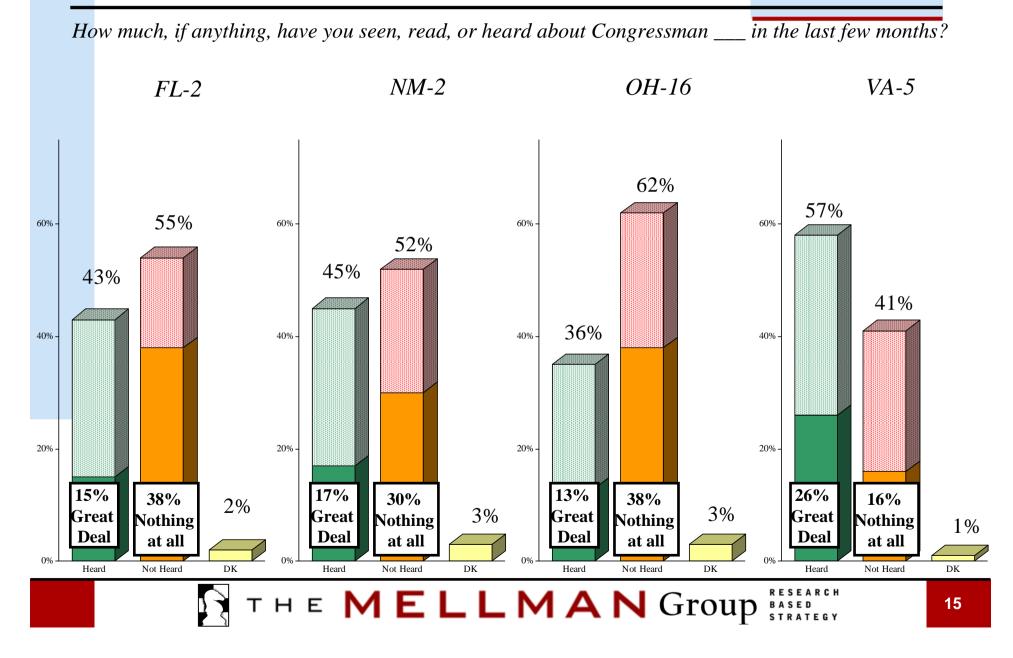
Majorities Of Independents In Each District Support These Provisions

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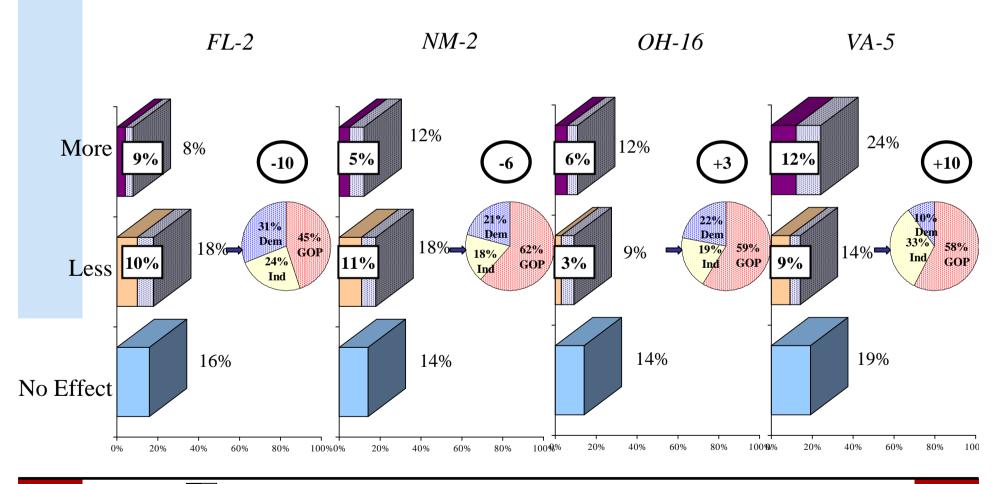
The Volume Of Information Voters Get About Their Member Of Congress Varies



In Two Of The Four Districts, The Information Flow Is Net Negative, While It Is Positive In The Other Two

Most Of Those Getting Negative Information Are Republicans

Has what you have seen, read or heard recently made you feel more favorable or less favorable toward Congressman ____ or has it not had any effect on your opinion of him?

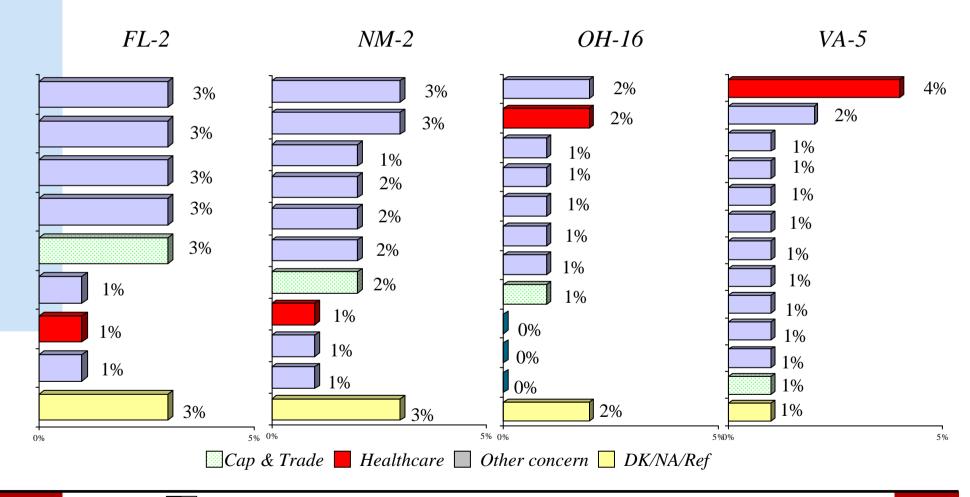


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In Open-Ended Questioning, Very Few Offer Cap & Trade As A Reason For Newly Negative Views Of Their Representative

What did you see, read, or hear about Congressman _____ that made you feel less favorable towards him? [% out of total respondents]



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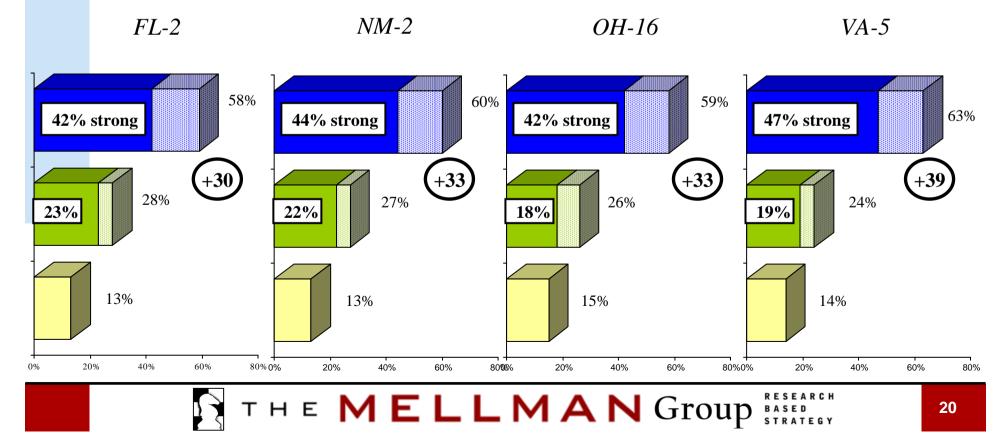
Arguments

Large Majorities In Each District Would Vote For A Candidate Who <u>Supported</u> The Global Warming Bill Over One Who <u>Opposed</u> It

For which of the following candidates for US Congress would you rather vote:

Candidate A supported the clean energy jobs and global warming bill considered by Congress because moving the country to clean energy will create good jobs in FL, and save consumers \$300 bn in energy costs, while reducing our dependence on foreign oil, decreasing the carbon pollution that causes global warming, and making polluters pay to give middle-income Americans an energy tax credit.

Candidate B opposed the global warming bill considered by Congress because it will in effect create a new energy tax that will raise energy prices for consumers by thousands of dollars and push American companies to move overseas where taxes and regulations are less burdensome.

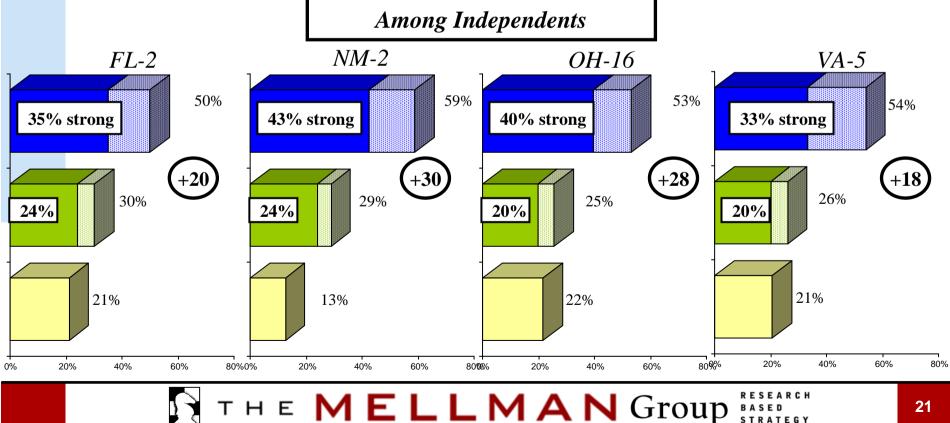


Majorities Of Independents In Each District Would Vote For A Bill Supporter Over An Opponent Of The Bill

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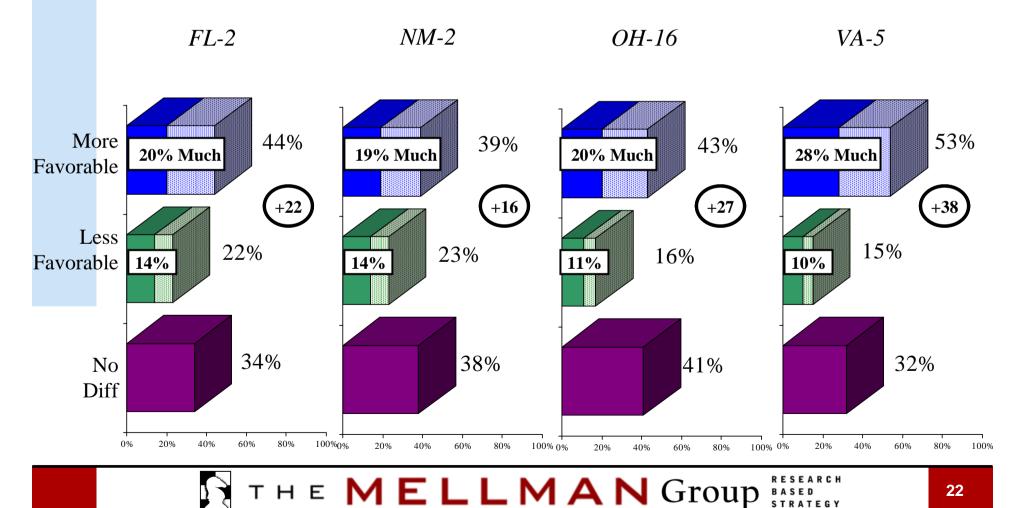
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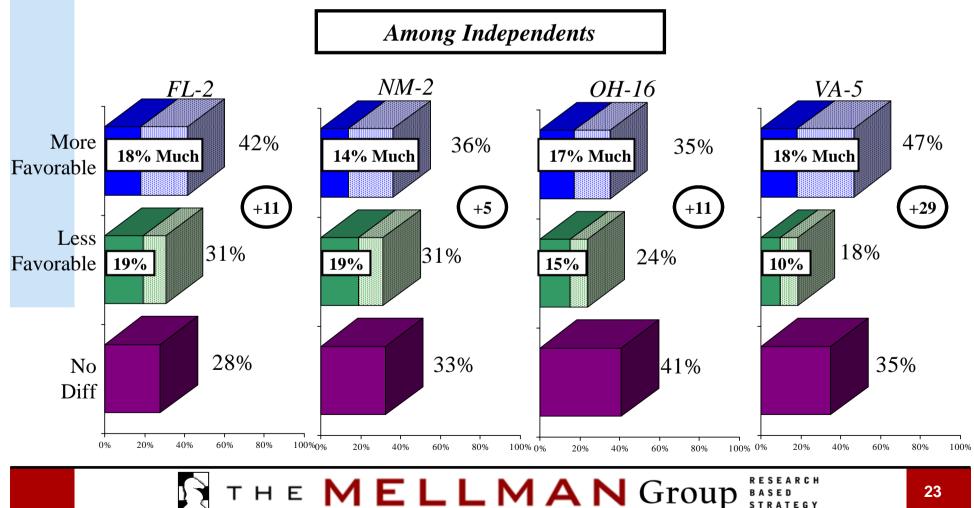
Voters Feel More Favorably Rather Than Less Favorably Towards Members Who Support The Bill

Congressman _____ voted for this plan to require factories and power companies to reduce their emissions of the carbon pollution that causes global warming pollution by 80% by 2050 and to generate 20% of their power from clean energy sources like wind and solar by 2025. Does that make you feel more favorable toward him or less favorable or does it not make any difference?



In Each District, Independents Are Also More Likely To Reward **Rather Than Punish A Supporter Of The Bill**

Congressman voted for this plan to require factories and power companies to reduce their emissions of the carbon pollution that causes global warming pollution by 80% by 2050 and to generate 20% of their power from clean energy sources like wind and solar by 2025. Does that make you feel more favorable toward him or less favorable or does it not make any difference?



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Strategic Conclusions

- There is no evidence that support for the House energy bill has created a political backlash in these swing Districts across the country
 - Our messages are much stronger than the opposition's, overwhelming them when matched against each other

