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Rarely do I agree with the folks sponsoring this bill, but I do in this case. Wind power, while a renewable energy source, faces several challenges. These include intermittent availability due to weather variability, with aesthetic and noise concerns for communities. Additionally, material costs for turbines and their maintenance is high, and the industry faces challenges in permitting and supply chain bottlenecks. They tend to be located in remote areas and extremely expensive to repair. Their energy is intermittent and highly variable, so very few will benefit from them. In some ocean areas, they are more productive.