

WASHINGTON - Congressman John W. Olver (D-MA), co-chair of the House Climate Change

"This groundbreaking, comprehensive study demonstrates that African Americans will be a

Olver added, "Ironically, the study also finds African Americans are less responsible for climate

The Center for Policy Analysis and Research, the policy arm of the Congressional Black Caucus

The report contends that while the impacts of climate change occur on a global scale, its effects

The report concluded that:

- African Americans are already disproportionately burdened by the health effects of climate change
- Unemployment and economic hardship associated with climate change will fall most heavily on African Americans
- African Americans are less responsible for climate change than other Americans.
- Policies intended to mitigate climate change can generate large health and economic benefits
- Unless appropriate actions are taken to mitigate its effects or adapt to them, climate change will have dire consequences

Scientists say global warming is caused mainly by carbon dioxide emitted from the burning of fossil fuels

Olver and Congressman Wayne T. Gilchrest (R-MD) are co-sponsors of the bipartisan Climate Stewardship Act

"The Climate Stewardship Act is not the magic pill to solve global warming. However, it is a critical step

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