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Statement on House Fast Track Vote

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"Unable to pass the fast track legislation that just barely squeaked through the Senate, the House resorted to sending back an even-weaker, more-right wing version of the legislation, which the Senate is likely to reject.

"This merry-go-round of bills is a sign of just how unpopular job-killing trade policy is across the country, with Congress members desperate to cover themselves from the constituent fury they'll face back home if fast track ever passes for real.

"It's a shame that the House didn't just kill fast track for good today, but it's prospects for ever becoming law are still quite dim. We look forward to working with Senators to defeat it once-and-for-all."

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Citizens Trade Campaign is a national coalition of labor, environmental, family farm, faith and consumer organizations working together to improve U.S. trade policy.