WASHINGTON, DC—Today the House of Representatives voted to pass legislation (H.R. 910) that prevents the Environmental Protection Agency from protecting Americans against polluters. Representative Xavier Becerra (CA-31), Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus, voted against the bill and release the following statement:

“Welcome to Wonderland, Republican-style, where down is up and up is down and nothing is as it seems. Yesterday they were talking about reducing deficits by cutting taxes for the wealthy. We’ve tried that one before. Today we’re voting on a bill to strip America’s right to control the toxins that polluters put in the air that we breathe—all in the name of ‘preventing a tax’ that doesn’t exist. In a world of Mad Hatter tea parties, this legislation would take the cake.”