

number of manufacturing jobs in the country. When the new numbers just came out, we're down to 15.

When you look at this map of the State of Ohio, looking at Williams, Fulton, Defiance, Paulding, Crawford, and Huron—those are some of my counties—when I've got counties over 15 percent, folks back home want to know what this Congress is doing.

What this Congress passed before we went on the Fourth of July recess was the national energy tax, the largest tax that we're going to see that puts businesses out, that puts people out of work, and that's what we're doing.

People want to know what we're going to do for them, not what we're doing to them. And I'm telling you that folks back home, when I go home every weekend, want to know what are we doing. When you look at the State of Indiana right here, right next to us, they're in as big trouble as we are.

When the Heritage Foundation came out with their report, of the top 20 congressional districts in the country that had problems under cap-and-tax, Ohio and Indiana ranked right in the top, 16 out of 20.

We've got to do something. We've got to act right now.

#### SIMILAR RESULTS AS STIMULUS PLAN

(Mr. McCOTTER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. McCOTTER. Mr. Speaker, where are the jobs? They are not in Michigan, my home State, where we have a 15.2 percent unemployment rate. And what could we expect, especially when this was one of the driving forces behind the trillion dollar stimulus package. One could expect similar results, and, sadly, that's true.

We then saw a national cap-and-tax energy tax did not create jobs, did not help, and now we're on the verge of a radical socialization of America's health care network. And what do we hear from the other side? Statistics but no references to the bill.

And do you know why? Because while our health care system needs reform, it is not broken. The one thing that's broken is this Congress. And if this Congress keeps spending people's money and engaging in radical change to our cherished way of life, every single family budget in America will be broken by their hand.

#### GOVERNMENTAL TAKEOVER OF HEALTH CARE

(Mr. LANCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, there is a great debate here in Congress about how we go about reforming health care in the United States. I've tried to work in a bipartisan capacity with the majority, but the Democratic leadership's health care reform plan is a govern-

mental takeover of health care that will lead to fewer jobs, higher taxes, and, ultimately, less health care coverage for New Jerseyans.

Most disappointing to me is the fact that the Democratic health plan would increase, not reduce, our Nation's burgeoning long-term health costs, a step in the wrong direction. And according to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, instead of saving the Federal Government from fiscal catastrophe, the Democratic health care proposal would already worsen the situation that is out of control, an \$11 trillion debt that is rising rapidly.

Democrats should put aside their \$1.5 trillion health care plan and take a hard look at the affordable and effective Medical Rights and Reform Act put forth by the Republican Tuesday Group. Together, we can find real solutions to make health care affordable.

#### HEALTH CARE REFORM AT WHAT COST

(Mr. ALEXANDER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. Speaker, several of my colleagues have come to this mike today and said, Where are the jobs? Well, if we pass this government-run health plan with compulsory insurance, it's going to create some jobs. It's going to take a government police force that you won't believe. We're going to have Barney Fikes running all over this Nation forcing people to do things they don't want to do.

And how do we pay for it? Well, that's simple. We just go to the small businesses that can't afford to buy insurance for their employees as it is and we increase by 8 percent their payroll taxes. We are going to break the backs of small businesses that are the backbone of this Nation.

Let's put a stop to this nonsense.

#### NO JOBS

(Mrs. BACHMANN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BACHMANN. Mr. Speaker, where are the jobs?

As a Senator, President Obama supported the \$700 billion bailout Nation strategy that today we're learning will cost the American people potentially \$24 trillion. But where are the jobs?

President Obama pushed the trillion dollar stimulus that cost our economy 2 million in job losses. No jobs.

President Obama took over GM and Chrysler, and he gave pink slips to 3,400 car dealerships that cost 150,000 jobs. No jobs.

President Obama's national energy tax will double our electricity bills in Minnesota and will cost 2.5 million job losses every year.

Now President Obama's economic adviser tells us that the government takeover of our private health care in-

surance will cost us 5 million jobs. No jobs.

This may be called the China-India stimulus plan, but the President isn't doing so well for the American people.

Mr. Speaker, let's have real change so the American people can have real jobs.

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#### WHERE ARE THE JOBS?

(Mr. AKIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. AKIN. Americans love records. How fast can you go? How high can you go? How deep can you go? We love to set records. Why, the Democrats just set a fantastic record of the biggest tax increase in the history of our country. And was it clever? It was really clever. All you have to do is flip a light switch to pay a tax. And spending. Oh, we've done a great job of spending it. As a result of taxing and spending, more records. Why, in the last 6 months, we have lost more jobs than any 6-month period since World War II. There's a record for you.

Here's another record. We have, in the last 6 months, used up more jobs and lost jobs than we created over the Bush years over the previous 9 years. That's the only time that's happened since the Great Depression.

And here's another record, too: That is, the jobs that we've lost have been longer than any time since we've been measuring unemployment in 1948.

I wish we didn't set quite so many records. We don't need the Democrats' help for this kind of record.

Where are the jobs?

#### HEALTH CARE BILL COSTS AMERICAN JOBS

(Mr. HASTINGS of Washington asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington. Mr. Speaker, where are the jobs? Americans have lost millions of jobs in the last 6 months. The unemployment rate today is approaching 10 percent nationwide. And amid all of this, Democrats are proposing a government takeover of health care that would increase taxes, eliminate choices, cut Medicare, force Americans out of their current plans and place billion-dollar job-killing fines and mandates on small businesses, the job creators.

Studies estimate that nearly 5 million jobs will be lost as a result of taxes on small business under this Democrat plan.

There is a better solution, Mr. Speaker. Rather than penalizing struggling small businesses, Congress must make it easier for them to afford health benefits. We must increase choices, make health costs deductible, expand health savings accounts, end waste, fraud and abuse and control unnecessary lawsuits that drive up costs for everyone.

I support reform, Mr. Speaker, that lets Americans keep their doctors, lowers costs and keeps medical decisions between the patient and their doctor.

#### WHERE ARE THE JOBS?

(Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, at the beginning of this year, the administration and Speaker PELOSI had this House pass a 1,500-page stimulus bill which no one in either body was able to read before they passed it that spent \$800 billion which we did not have, all because they promised that it would create new jobs. In fact, they said it would actually either create or save 2 to 3 million new jobs.

Their economic policy adviser at the White House said it would mean an immediate start of creating new jobs and eliminating losing jobs. Even Majority Leader STENY HOYER was on the floor saying this would be an immediate jolt to the economy, the immediate creation of jobs.

Well, it is 5 or 6 months later, and where are we? I just heard from Chairman Bernanke. He says he can't assess where we are right now. But if you look at the numbers, if you look at the chart that I have here, the Democrat projection with stimulus had we done something was here. What actually happened, we have seen as far as jobs, more job losses, more job losses, more job losses, February, March, April, May and June, more job losses. We have lost several million jobs since the stimulus was passed.

The administration misread the American economy. The administration misread the American public. The American public knows that we need to go in the right direction.

We spend too much, we borrow too much and we tax too much.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair must enlist the cooperation of Members in heeding the gavel at the expiration of their time.

#### WHERE ARE THE JOBS?

(Mr. WITTMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, just a few minutes ago, I finished a lunch with a gentleman who is a business owner in Virginia. And we had a discussion about what are the things that we need to be doing to help with this economy.

As I travel across the First District, the thing I hear time and time again is where are the jobs? What are we doing to help this economy? What are we doing to help small businesses? Folks,

that is where this economy is going to be picked up, from the efforts to make sure we help our small businesses. That is what this Congress needs to be focusing on each and every day. When we come here, our focus ought to be what are we doing to help small business? What we doing to create jobs?

Obviously, what is happening right now isn't working. People out there are anxious. They are concerned. They are frustrated. They are telling me, as well as the rest of the Congress, get to work, start creating jobs and start turning this economy around.

Let's get the job done.

#### THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WANT JOBS

(Mr. SCALISE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SCALISE. Mr. Speaker, Americans all across the country are asking, where are the jobs? When President Obama brought the stimulus plan before the American people, he said it needed to be rammed down their throats quickly. He didn't allow people even the opportunity to read it. Not one Member who voted for the bill even had the opportunity to read it. But he said, don't worry. Just trust me. It will create millions of jobs.

Well, now 6 months later, 2 million more Americans have lost their jobs since President Obama took the oath of office. And what's their answer? They're talking about another stimulus bill. In fact, just last week, Vice President JOE BIDEN said, We have to go spend money to keep from going bankrupt.

The American people are starting to understand what's going on here with this Congress, the liberals that are running this place. They realize all they're doing is taxing and spending, and they're not creating jobs. They're running jobs off. The cap-and-trade energy tax would lose 3 million jobs to countries like China. And then they come back with this plan to have a government takeover of our health care system, a plan that would add another \$800 billion of new taxes on the backs of American people and run off even more jobs.

The American people know what's going on here. They want jobs, not these crazy liberal policies.

#### JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

(Mrs. CAPITO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. Speaker, for West Virginia's families, it's jobs, health care and the economy that matters the most to them. They've seen trillions of dollars spent, and they see Washington proposing to spend trillions more. They want to know where are the jobs with the stimulus? They want to know why the only apparent answer here in Wash-

ington is more spending and more borrowing.

My constituents want their voices heard. Recently, I sent a survey out and received 3,500 responses on what do people want on health care. They want to keep the coverage that they have. More than two-thirds are troubled by the idea of a government-run health care. Three-fourths are shocked by the thought of yet another trillion-dollar program. And the vast majority think that this is not the time to be raising taxes.

Unfortunately, the plan moving through the House right now fails to address all of these. It fails to control costs. It taxes small businesses. It threatens to force families into government-run health care. Simply put, this is not the health care reform my constituents and I are looking for. What they're looking for are jobs.

#### JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

(Mr. SMITH of Nebraska asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, we were told a \$1 trillion stimulus package would create jobs immediately. But since then, nearly 2 million Americans have lost their jobs, and unemployment is at 9.5 percent, the highest in 26 years. Then the House passed cap-and-trade legislation which will cost our country 2.5 million jobs each year. Now we're rushing to take up the Democrats' health care bill, which research shows will cost 4.7 million more jobs.

As House Republicans offer plans and ideas to get our economy moving again, all we get in return is more of the same, spending and taxing, and it keeps yielding the very same results: Longer unemployment lines and a longer list of promises.

Mr. Speaker, we need new ideas and new approaches to deliver different results.

#### GOVERNMENT TAKEOVER OF HEALTH CARE IS NOT GOOD FOR AMERICA

(Mr. TERRY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TERRY. The House health care bill is a government takeover of your health care and destructive to the economy. It provides perverse incentives to employers to dump their health care plan, forcing their employees into the government health exchange where they will choose the government-subsidized government plan. Oops, there goes the promise that you can keep your own plan.

This costs you \$1 trillion placed on the back of small businesses. Oops, there goes those jobs.

After 10 years, the cost of this plan explodes, needing multi-trillions of dollars to continue to fund. More taxes,