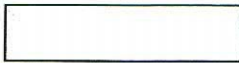
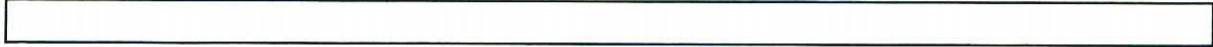




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### **Frelinghuysen Opposes Massive Economic Stimulus Package**

On Wednesday, Rep. Frelinghuysen opposed H.R. 1, the \$825 billion economic stimulus package, which passed the House by a vote of 244-188 with limited debate and no public hearings.

"Americans are asking for our help and we must respond by passing an economic stimulus package that is effective, efficient, and timely," said Frelinghuysen. "To the contrary, this bill is ineffective, inefficient, and not an intelligent way to use the taxpayers dollars."

Jump starting our economy is "job one" and we should be working to create jobs through immediate investment in 'shovel ready' infrastructure projects: roads, bridges, and tunnels. Yet, only \$30 billion—or three percent—of this massive spending measure is directed to such projects."

"This legislation is also jam-packed with extra domestic spending that will do nothing for job creation or to prevent layoffs."

- \$79 billion for a state stabilization fund to bail out some states that have done little or nothing to control their own spending or debt;
- \$6.2 billion for weatherization programs- 31 times the \$200 million appropriated last year;
- \$600 million for new cars for government workers;
- \$400 million for global warming research;
- \$335 million for sexually transmitted disease education and prevention programs;

"In fact, this bill creates 32 entirely new government programs and adds 600,000 government jobs."

"The American people should worry about this bill. When Congress approved the controversial economic rescue plan last fall, we were promised proper management and accountability of taxpayer money. Unfortunately, we got neither. Passage of this package will continue this wasteful pattern."

"Moving forward, we hope the President and the Senate listen to our requests for more job creating tax cuts and far greater accountability."

### **Frelinghuysen Attends 88th Chamber of Commerce Meeting**

On Thursday, Rep. Frelinghuysen attended the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce's *Congressional Dinner* in Washington, DC.

"Our nation finds itself in the midst of a crisis unlike any we have seen in our lifetime," said Frelinghuysen. "New Jersey families and businesses are grappling with the effects of a dramatic and unprecedented economic downturn."

"Through economic prosperity and struggle, the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce has always served as an advocate for job retention and creation. Chamber members, large and small, are recognized for their commitment to improving the business environment for employers, employees and their families. I thank them for nearly 100 years of service in New Jersey."

### **Picatinny Arsenal Bids Farewell to General William Phillips**

On Monday, Rep. Frelinghuysen joined the Picatinny Arsenal community in bidding farewell to Brigadier General William Phillips and Mrs. Phillips at a ceremony in Mountain Lakes.

Phillips is leaving Picatinny after being ordered by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Michael Mullen, to assume command of the Joint-Contracting Command for Iraq and Afghanistan.

"General Phillips has served Picatinny with great honor and distinction," said Frelinghuysen. "He has helped maintain Picatinny's position as the *Home of American Firepower*. I am grateful for his service and know he will excel serving the United States overseas."

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