

DEMOCRATS BUILD SOLID RECORD OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 110th CONGRESS

Under the leadership of the Democratic-led Congress, major initiatives that will improve the lives of the American people have been enacted into law:

ECONOMY:

- ✓ Emergency Economic Stabilization Act
- ✓ American Housing Rescue and Foreclosure Prevention Act
- ✓ Unemployment Insurance Benefits Extension
- ✓ Renewable Energy and Job Creation Act of 2008
- ✓ Bipartisan Economic Stimulus Bill
- ✓ Minimum Wage Increase
- ✓ Ensuring Continued Access to Student Loans Act
- ✓ Higher Education Opportunity Act
- ✓ College Cost Reduction Act
- ✓ Innovation Agenda
- ✓ AMT Relief Act of 2007

ENERGY AND GAS PRICES:

- ✓ Energy Independence and Security Act
- ✓ Suspension of deliveries to the Strategic Petroleum Reserve
- ✓ Select Committee on Energy Security and Global Warming

NATIONAL SECURITY AND VETERANS:

- ✓ GI Bill
- ✓ 9-11 Commission Recommendations
- ✓ Funding for Troops in Afghanistan and Iraq
- ✓ Largest Veterans Health Care Increase in History
- ✓ Wounded Warriors Act
- ✓ FY09 Defense Authorization Act
- ✓ FY 08 Defense Authorization Act
- ✓ Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act
- ✓ The Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax (HEART) Act
- ✓ CFIUS Reform

HEALTH CARE

- ✓ Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act
- ✓ Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act
- ✓ Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Reauthorization Act
- ✓ Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act

INCREASING TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY:

- ✓ Office of Congressional Ethics
- ✓ Honest Leadership and Open Government Act

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- ✓ Ethics Reform in House Rules
- ✓ Pay-as-you-go Budget Rules

OTHER TOP ISSUES:

- ✓ ADA Amendments Act
- ✓ Farm Bill
- ✓ Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act
- ✓ Omnibus Public Lands Bill
- ✓ Gulf Coast Reconstruction Assistance
- ✓ Peru Free Trade Agreement
- ✓ Water Resources and Development Act
- ✓ Head Start Reauthorization
- ✓ National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2008
- ✓ FY 09 Budget Conference Report
- ✓ FY 08 Budget Conference Report
- ✓ FY 07 and FY 08 Appropriations bills
- ✓ Emergency funds for the I-35 Bridge in Minneapolis

In addition to the significant number of bills signed into law, the House has also passed important legislation that is awaiting Senate action:

ENERGY AND GAS PRICES:

- ✓ Comprehensive American Energy Security and Consumer Protection Act
- ✓ Commodity Markets Transparency and Accountability Act
- ✓ Gas Price Relief for Consumers Act
- ✓ Energy Markets Emergency Act
- ✓ Saving Energy Through Public Transportation Act
- ✓ Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act
- ✓ Crack Down on Price Gouging Act
- ✓ “NOPEC” – Hold OPEC Accountable for Oil Price Fixing

NATIONAL SECURITY AND VETERANS:

- ✓ Intelligence Authorization
- ✓ Increased funding for the Department of Veterans’ Affairs
- ✓ Afghanistan Freedom and Security Support Act
- ✓ Coast Guard Authorization Bill

OTHER TOP ISSUES:

- ✓ Employment Non-Discrimination Act
- ✓ Ledbetter Fair Pay Act
- ✓ Jubilee Act for Responsible Lending and Expanded Debt Cancellation
- ✓ Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act