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## **House National Security Committee**

### **Floyd D. Spence, Chairman**

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### **SPENCE APPLAUDS HOUSE B-2 DECISION**

*The following is a statement released by House National Security Committee Chairman Floyd Spence after the 216 to 209 House vote to approve funding to reestablish elements of the B-2 production line that have been shut down and for advanced procurement of nine additional B-2 bombers:*

“For the third time in as many years, I believe the House made the right decision. The long-range bomber force is a critical strategic asset, and the current fleet of 21 B-2 bombers is insufficient to meet the likely contingencies, crises, and requirements of the next 30 to 40 years. The House has reaffirmed its decision to provide the Air Force with the capabilities it needs to face the uncertainties of the next century.”