



This E-Newsletter is a weekly summary of the events taking place in the United States Congress that affect the State of Michigan and primarily Michigan's 13th Congressional District.

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Hill Highlights

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H.R. 282 Establishing the Iran Freedom Support Act

This bill strengthens U.S. sanctions on Iran and requires that they remain in place until Iran has dismantled its chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons programs. The measure also amends the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act (ILSA), which imposes U.S. sanctions in certain cases on companies, governments, or individuals investing in Iran or Libya, by enlarging the number of entities that would be subject to sanctions, including those created to avoid sanctions against a parent company. The bill also ends ILSA's application to Libya, and eliminates the expiration date of the law. I voted in favor of this measure, which passed the House by a vote of 397 to 21.

H.R. 4709 Creating the Law Enforcement & Phone Privacy Protection Act

This bill makes it a federal crime to fraudulently obtain, attempt to obtain, buy, or sell confidential telephone records. It also increases penalties for the use of fraudulently obtained phone records to commit a crime. The measure applies to traditional telephone companies and those that provide phone service over the Internet. The measure clarifies that telephone service providers still could comply with law enforcement requests for phone records. It specifies that telephone companies could share customer account information with other legitimate companies for the purposes of billing or collection, and could share customer information with other marketers if a customer has approved this sharing of information. I supported this measure, which passed the House unanimously.

H. R. 5020 Authorizing Intelligence Spending for FY 2007

This bill authorizes classified amounts in FY 2007 for 15 U.S. intelligence agencies and intelligence-related activities of the U.S. government—including the Office of the National Intelligence Director, the CIA, and the National Security Agency (NSA), as well as foreign intelligence activities of the Defense Department, FBI, State Department, Homeland Security Department, and other agencies. The measure covers the CIA and general intelligence operations such as signals intelligence, clandestine human-intelligence programs and analysis, and covert action capabilities. It also authorizes covert action programs, research and development, and projects to

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tion capabilities. It also authorizes covert action programs, research and development, and projects to improve information dissemination. I voted against this measure, which passed the House by a vote of 327 to 96. You may [view my official statement](#) for the record on H.R. 5020 on my website at www.house.gov/kilpatrick.

H. Con. Res. 365 Urging China to Reinstate Revoked Law License & Revise Chinese Law

This resolution urges the Chinese government to overturn the suspension of Gao Zhisheng's law license, to repeal the section of China's criminal code that penalizes lawyers whose clients commit perjury, to amend or repeal other articles to comply with international law as it applies to spiritual movements, and to amend current law so that defense attorneys can represent clients to the best of their abilities without the fear of harassment. The measure expresses the sense of Congress that the United States should support democracy and human rights programs in China; initiate training programs on human rights law for lawyers, judges, academics and students; and support programs to promote legal protections and awareness of the right to religious freedom. The resolution also declares that the President should raise the issues of persecution of human rights lawyers and basic human rights with Chinese president Hu Jintao. I supported this measure, which passed the House by a unanimous vote.

S.J. Res. 28 Approving the Location of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial

The Defense Appropriations Act of 2000 established the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission to plan the design and location of a memorial honoring the former U.S. President. The commission selected a site across the street from the National Air and Space Museum on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., which is located partially within "Area I," known as the "monumental core area" by the 1986 Commemorative Works Act. Due to the site's location within "Area I," the commission must comply with the guidelines of the law and receive authorization to build on the site by an act of Congress. This resolution approves the location of the memorial. I voted in support of this measure, which passed the House unanimously.

To read more about these measures, or any other legislation, please visit the Library of Congress' legislative information site at <http://thomas.loc.gov/>.

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[Directory of Homeownership Assistance in the Detroit Area](#)

Printable booklet of homeownership resources.

[Medicare's New Prescription Drug Plans](#)

Printable handout with important facts to help you

Energy Saving

Brief compilation of tips and tricks to help your energy efficiency in both your home and on the road.

Congresswoman Kilpatrick presented NextEnergy CEO Jim Croce with a check representing \$7 million in federal funds she helped secure for the non-profit organization.

Kilpatrick, a member of the House Appropriations Committee, is committed to the development of alternative energy sources that will reduce energy costs and create jobs for America's

families. "America's families are paying record prices, while oil companies make record profits. We must promote energy independence, conservation, and efficiency," said Kilpatrick. "Organizations like NextEnergy are committed to the research and development of alternative energy sources that positively contribute to economic competitiveness, energy security, and the environment. We must continue to provide the innovation and leadership needed to reduce energy costs for America's families, create jobs throughout the region, and restore profitability to the American auto industry."



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Congresswoman Kilpatrick Celebrates Grand Opening of Campbell Branch Library



Congresswoman Kilpatrick helped residents celebrate the opening of Detroit's newest library. Located in Southwest Detroit, the 7,000 square foot Campbell Branch offers a public computer lab, multi-

lingual reading and reference materials, and community meeting space. "The opening of the Campbell Branch illustrates the significant role public libraries play in making information and technology available to the community," said Congresswoman Kilpatrick. "We must ensure that everyone has access to the resources they need to learn, grow, and compete in our global economy."

Congresswoman Kilpatrick Visits Roosevelt and Ecorse High Schools

Congresswoman Kilpatrick visited students at Roosevelt (Wyandotte) and Ecorse High Schools to discuss the function of government and her roles as a legislator and a member of the House Appropriations Committee.



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tions Committee. She also spoke with students about issues such as immigration, gerrymandering, and the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Congresswoman Kilpatrick invited students to visit Washington, D.C. to see how the process works and gauge their interest in public service careers. She also encouraged them to seek excellence, stay informed,



and speak up about issues affecting their lives. "Be the best you can be. Government is only as strong as the people we represent," said Congresswoman Kilpatrick. "America is best when we all participate. It is up

to you to make sure our country provides everyone with the opportunity to experience the American dream."

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