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# 13<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT UPDATE

## TOP NEWS:

### **Congressman Scott Speaks at Town Hall in Douglassville on Highway 92** **Aug 1**



Congressman David Scott (D-GA) was invited by the commissioners of Douglassville to speak at their town hall meeting concerning the Highway 92 project. Congressman Scott spoke to his constituents about how the road project affects the entire city of Douglassville. Highway 92 will alleviate congestion on the city's major roads. While in Douglassville Congressman Scott visited local business that will be affected by highway 92. Congressman Scott was also invited to Victorious Kidz Academy to see the good work that they are doing in the community of Douglassville.

**"My constituents deserved a meeting with their representative to discuss how this major project constructing Highway 92 will impact their community,"** said Congressman Scott. **"I was there to answer all of their questions and address their concerns and that's exactly what I did. I reassured the residents of the city of Douglassville that they will not be disenfranchised with this new road coming through the city."**

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### **Congressman Scott Host 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Fair and Health Care Forum** **Aug 15**

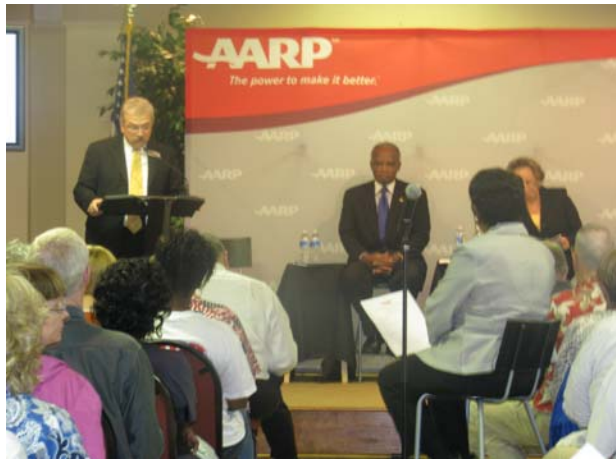


Congressman Scott hosted his 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Fair at Mundy's Mill High School on August 15. The event drew in over 1500 volunteers and constituents. This year's health fair theme focused on diabetes and included a panel of doctors that discussed how to prevent the disease as well as how high weight and a poor diet affects your chances of getting the disease. This year's health fair also provided health screenings that ranged from blood pressure check ups to dental care. This year Congressman Scott added some additional screenings including glaucoma and skin cancer test.

Coupled with the health fair, Congressman Scott held a health care forum to allow constituents to voice their concerns about the national health care debate. **"This forum was needed so that my constituents would know the importance of providing health care to everyone. I have read the bill in its entirety and am working with others members of Congress to get something passed."**



**Congressman Scott Attends AARP Town Hall Event in Austell [Aug 28](#)**



AARP hosted its own town hall in Austell, GA on August 28. The health care themed event allowed the people in Austell to voice their concerns regarding the national health care debate. The event was hosted by Art Terrell of Kiss 104.1 FM and other panelist included Dr. N.Joyce Payne and Nora Super. Congressman Scott took the time to explain the health care myths that are circulating in the media. Congressman Scott reassured his constituents that money will not be cut from Medicare to fund a health care public option.

**"It is important that you all get the correct information surrounding the national health care debate, said Representative Scott. "I have debunked those myths and put the correct information on my website."**

### **Representative David Scott and Mrs. Alfredia Scott Give CBC Spouses Scholarship to Local Students [Aug 3](#)**

Today, Congressman David Scott and his wife Alfredia Scott gave scholarships to 5 local students. The recipients include Richard Williams of Smyrna, Kendra Sims of Riverdale, Julia Phanthavong of Hampton, Ayanna Wade of Austell, and Alyssa Smith (not pictured) of Jonesboro. The scholarships were given on behalf of the Congressional Black Caucus Spouses members and amounted to \$10,000.

**"I am so proud of these students and their academic accomplishments. When I first began college I had only \$150 in my pocket and with the help of others I made it through."**




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### **Local Grant News:**

**The following cities and counties applied for various grants and received them in the below amounts.**

MARTA	<a href="#">Anti Terrorism</a>	\$685,980.00	DHS
Clayton County	<a href="#">HOME</a>	\$1,013,346.00	HUD
Clayton County	<a href="#">Emergency Shelter Grant</a>	\$91,810.00	HUD
Clayton County	<a href="#">Community Block Development Grants</a>	\$2,083,290.00	HUD
Phosphor Tech	<a href="#">Research Infrastructure</a>	\$157,419.00	HHS
City of Forest Park			
Fire Service	<a href="#">Assitance to Firefighters</a>	\$650,280.00	DHS
Governor's Office of Planning and Budget	<a href="#">FY 09 Title V Community Prevention Grants</a>	\$33,486.00	DOJ
	<a href="#">replacement vehicles, preventative maintenance and stop and transit enhancements ongoing renovation projects at the existing CCT</a>	\$55,415,078.00	DOT
MARTA			
Cobb Transit	<a href="#">Admin/Maintenance Facility to expand effort to address design and improve operational functionality of facilities</a>	\$225,720.00	DOT
MARTA		\$401,280.00	DOT
Cobb County Board of Commissioners	<a href="#">FY 09 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance</a>	\$188,032.00	DOJ
Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	<a href="#">FY 09 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance</a>	\$9,490,739.00	DOJ
City of Stockbridge	<a href="#">ARRA- Drinking Water State Revolving Fund</a>	\$4,166,500.00	ARRA-GA
City of Douglasville	<a href="#">FY 09 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance</a>	\$25,214.00	DOJ

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## What's Happening in Congress?

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### Weekly Senate Schedule

See what bills and what amendments will be discussed in the Senate this week, courtesy of the Senate's official website.

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## Legislative News:

### Recent Votes by Congressman Scott:

#### » H.R. 2920 – **Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009**

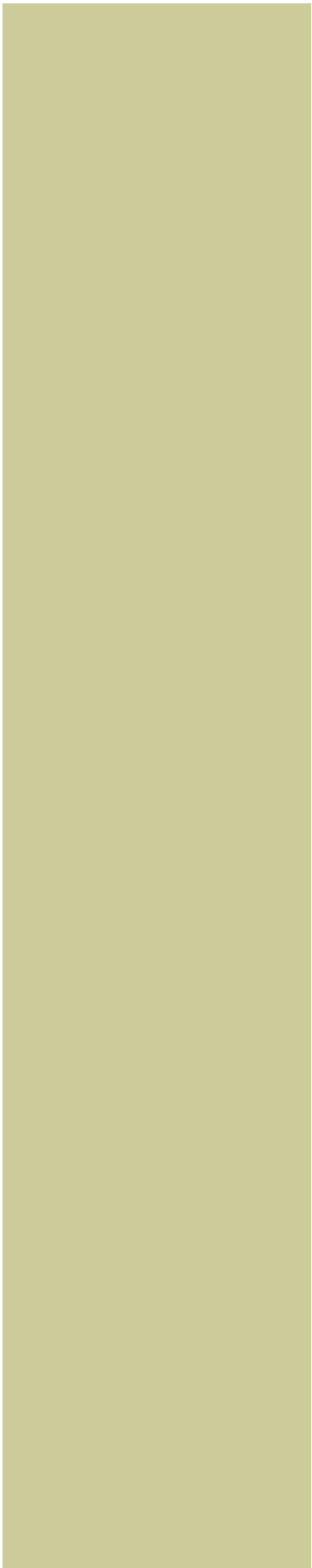
The purpose of this Act is to reestablish a statutory procedure to enforce a rule of budget neutrality on new revenue and direct spending legislation.

» **DS voted FOR H.R. 2920; H.R. 2920 passed 265-166 (7-22-2009)**

## ⚙️ **H.R. 2749 – Food Safety Enhancement Act of 2009**

Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to set forth provisions governing food safety. Requires each food facility to: (1) conduct a hazard analysis; (2) implement preventive controls; and (3) implement a food safety plan. Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to: (1) issue science-based performance standards to minimize the hazards from foodborne contaminants; (2) establish science-based standards for raw agricultural commodities; (3) inspect facilities at a frequency determined pursuant to a risk-based schedule; (4) establish a food tracing system; (5) assess fees relating to food facility reinspection and food recall; and (6) establish a program for accreditation of laboratories that perform analytical testing of food for import or export. Authorizes the Secretary to: (1) order an immediate cessation of distribution, or a recall, of food; (2) establish an importer verification program; and (3) quarantine food in any geographic area within the United States. Defines the term "color additive" to include carbon monoxide that may affect the color of fresh meat, poultry products, or seafood. Requires country of origin labeling on food and annual registration of importers. Provides for unique identifiers for food facilities and food importers. Deems a food to be adulterated if an inspection is delayed or refused. Requires the Secretary to establish a corps of inspectors dedicated to inspections of foreign food facilities. Sets forth provisions governing the reorganization of Food and Drug Administration (FDA) field laboratories and district offices. Gives the Commissioner of Food and Drugs subpoena authority with respect to a food proceeding. Establishes whistleblower protections.

⚙️ **DS voted FOR H.R. 2749; H.R. 2749 passed 324-84 (7-30-2009)**



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