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# **TOP NEWS:**

Congressman Scott Honors Military Academy Nominees February 28



Recently, Congressman David Scott (GA-13) announced the nomination of twenty-two area students to the nation's military academies. He honored these outstanding young people and their families during a special reception at the National Archives, located at 5780 Jonesboro Road.

"I am very proud of these young men and women. Appointment to a military academy demands exceptional academic achievement, character and leadership. Without question, each of these students possesses these qualities," said Congressman Scott. "Our students are outstanding young Americans who proudly reflect the 13<sup>th</sup> Congressional District's commitment to education and service and who will one day honorably serve our nation as leaders in the Armed Forces."

Congressman Scott announced the following primary nominations:

#### United States Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, CO:

Brandon Banks, College Park, Westlake High School
Ashley Davis, Fairburn, Creekside High School
Alexander Dirst, Smyrna, Campbell High School
Steven Freund, Powder Springs, University of Georgia
Enrique Inocencia-Holloway, Ellenwood, Woodland High School
Andrew Love, Jonesboro, Jonesboro High School
Caleb MacLachlan, Jonesboro, Marion Military Academy
Lauren McGuire, Douglasville, Landmark Christian School
Blair O'Bryant, Douglasville, Chapel Hill High School
Jordan Poole, Stockbridge, Georgia State University

United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD:

George Bowman III, Hampton, Lovejoy High School Solomon Drake, Jonesboro, Jonesboro High School Michelle Maddox, Smyrna, Naval Academy Preparatory School Darrin McElroy, Smyrna, New Mexico Military Institute Lauren McGuire, Douglasville, Landmark Christian School Enrique Rosa, Mableton, South Cobb High School Jared Toso, Smyrna, Toso Academy

United States Military Academy at West Point, NY:
George Bowman III, Hampton, Lovejoy High School
James LeCraw, Mableton, Whitefield Academy
Joshua Meadows, Smyrna, Campbell High School
Raymond Northcutt, Atlanta, Arlington Christian School

Darrain Stabler, Douglasville, Chapel Hill High School Brian Stoutamire, Jonesboro, Lovejoy High School Elizabeth Young, Fairburn, D.M. Therrell High School

<u>Click here</u> to view photos from the reception <u>Click here</u> to learn how you can apply for a military academy nomination

# Representative Scott Urges Bank CEOs to Agree to a Moratorium on Home Foreclosures *February 13*

JP Morgan Chase released a letter honoring their commitment to a temporary moratorium on home foreclosures. Jamie Dimon, CEO of JP Morgan Chase, initiated the three week moratorium in response to the recent House Financial Services Committee Hearing where Representative Scott asked for a moratorium on home foreclosures to allow the Treasury adequate time to release a new plan for homeowners in need. The following exchange took place at the House committee hearing:

"That would be a tremendous gesture to say you will not foreclose on any American's home until we put the plan in place," said Rep. David Scott. "Will you do that? Could I get a yes-yes here?"

All eight bankers in attendance at the hearing agreed to commit to keeping people in their homes by enacting a three week moratorium on home foreclosures.

<u>Click here</u> to watch Congressman Scott discuss relief for homeowners at the House Financial Services Committee Hearing

# Congressman Scott Urges President Obama to Continue Production of F-22 Raptor *February 11*



"I am hopeful that the President will choose to continue full production of the Air Force's original request of 380 F-22s," commented Rep. Scott. "However, if General Schwartz feels that the Air Force can survive with only an additional 60 fighters, and the lowered number makes the program more palatable to the White House, then certainly something is better than nothing in this case."

Congressman Scott's 13th Congressional District includes Marietta, home to the F-22 plant.

Scott supports virtual petition to continue production of F-22 Raptor

### Congressman Scott Votes to Help Grow the Economy February 13

"The American people are expecting Congress to act with boldness and confidence to help kick-start economic growth. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will stimulate the economy by investing in transportation, schools, health care and other fundamental community needs. It is estimated by the Council of Economic Advisors that over 100,000 jobs will be created in Georgia, and over 9,000 will be created in my district, from these critical investments. I encourage local governments to work with the state to spend these funds quickly and wisely and target them in areas that will provide the most economic benefit," Congressman Scott said.

<u>Click here</u> to watch Congressman Scott talk to bank CEOs about economic accountability

#### In Other News:

### **Representative Scott Responds to President Obama's Address**

"The President has spoken with confidence that we will make it through this economic crisis and has instilled in each of us that we are all in this together. These are tough times; we have faced tough times before and we will come out stronger. It is going through the tough times that have built the strong character of America. Now we must put our shoulder to the wheel and move forward with confidence," said Rep. Scott.

# **Congressman Scott Votes to Protect PeachCare**

Rep. Scott today joined a majority in the House of Representatives in support of the final version of the bipartisan State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) Reauthorization bill, better known in Georgia as PeachCare. The SCHIP Reauthorization bill is an updated version of the legislation vetoed twice by President Bush (H.R. 976). The legislation reauthorizes the SCHIP program through fiscal year 2013 and will provide federal funding to enable states to maintain their current programs and extend them to 4 million additional uninsured children in modest-income families.

"There is nothing more important that protecting our children," said Rep. Scott. "This critical program not only helps our children live healthy, productive lives, but it also makes good economic sense for taxpayers. By covering more eligible children we will prevent costlier problems in the future."

"As the need for this legislation has continued to grow everyday, I am proud that this bill will finally be sent to a President who will actually sign it."

# **House Lawmakers Introduce Legislation to Cap Executive Officer Pay**

Congressman David Scott (D-GA) and others joined to introduce a bill that would restrict executive pay to the level of the President's pay for companies that take government assistance money. Congressman Scott released the following statement:

"It is shameful that Wall Street executives pleaded for government help, then went and paid out bonuses, sponsored extravagant parties and took trips to the spa with taxpayer money," decried Congressman Scott. "It is obvious that we should not have assumed that Wall Street executives would understand that all Americans are struggling right now and it is completely irresponsible to think that it is okay to use government money for such frivolous expenses. We will make it clear that if you ask for government assistance to sustain operations,

you should be prepared to live by government pay."

# Congressman Scott Reminds Constituents to Get Ready for the Nationwide Transition to Digital Television- June 12, 2009



With the nationwide transition to digital television just months away, Rep. Scott reminds constituents that on *Friday, June 12, 2009* analog television sets that receive signals over the air, and not from cable or satellite, will need a digital-to-analog converter box to display digital signals.

For more information on the digital television transition visit <a href="https://www.dtv2009.gov">www.dtv2009.gov</a> or call 770-210-5073.

### Clayton County Foreclosure Assistance Workshop – March 28

The Clayton County-Wide Homeowners Association (CCWHOA) and the Clayton County Foreclosure Resource Center (CCFRC) are joining forces to co-sponsor a foreclosure assistance workshop on *Saturday, March 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.*, at the Southeast Region National Archives on Jonesboro Road in Morrow. The event theme is titled: "Yes we can! Save our County from the Devastation and Destruction caused by Foreclosures."

Attendees will have the opportunity to consult with professionals that will include realtors, mortgage bankers, attorneys, financial consultants and counselors, among others. Professionals from the real estate industry and representatives from the Homeowners Association will also gather to collaborate on ideas and methods for future foreclosure prevention and intervention, ideally carried out through the CCFRC.

For more information visit www.ccfrc.com or call 404-260-3149.

#### **Local Grant Awards**

#### **Recovery Act Capital Fund Formula Program**

- Housing Authority of Douglas Co.- \$211,752
- Housing Authority of the City of Hampton- \$49,625
- Housing Authority of the City of Fairburn- \$47,744
- Housing Authority of the City of Palmetto- \$38,412
- Housing Authority of the City of Union City- \$30,361
- Housing Authority of the City of Jonesboro- \$62,611
- Housing Authority of the City of College Park- \$1,019,171

#### **Recovery Act Homelessness Prevention Grant Program**

- Clayton County- \$856,410
- Cobb County- \$1,337,048
- Dekalb County- \$2,359,998
- Fulton County- \$896,069

#### Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation

- City of Marietta- \$185,097
- Clayton County- \$560,082
- Cobb County- \$874,428
- Dekalb County- \$1,543,400
- Fulton County- \$586,006

## What's Happening in Congress?

#### **Currently on the House Floor**

Keep track of the latest developments and votes on legislation being considered in the House.

#### **Current Proceedings**

#### **Weekly Senate Schedule**

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

#### **Senate Calendar**

# **Legislative News:**

**Recent Votes by Congressman Scott:** 

#### **S. 181 – Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act**

Amends the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to declare that an unlawful employment practice occurs when: (1) a discriminatory compensation decision or other practice is adopted; (2) an individual becomes subject to the decision or practice; or (3) an individual is affected by application of the decision or practice, including each time wages, benefits, or other compensation is paid. Allows liability to accrue, and allows an aggrieved person to obtain relief, including recovery of back pay, for up to two years preceding the filing of the charge, where the unlawful employment practices that have occurred during the charge filing period are similar or related to practices that occurred outside the time for filing a charge. Applies the preceding provisions to claims of compensation discrimination under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

DS voted FOR S. 181; S. 181 passed 250-177 (1/27/09)

## H.R. 1 – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Makes supplemental appropriations for FY2009: (1) for job preservation and creation; (2) to promote economic recovery; (3) to assist those most impacted by the recession; (4) to provide investments needed to increase economic efficiency by spurring technological advances in science and health; (5) to invest in transportation, environmental protection, and other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits; and (6) to stabilize state and local government budgets, in order to minimize and avoid reductions in essential services and counterproductive state and local tax increases. Amends the Internal Revenue Code to allow individual taxpayers a refundable tax credit for the lesser of 6.2% of earned income or \$500 (\$1,000 for married couples filing jointly). Reduces the amount of such credit for taxpayers with adjusted gross income exceeding \$75,000 (\$150,000 for married couples filing jointly). Disqualifies nonresident aliens, dependents, and estates and trusts.

**DS voted FOR H.R. 1; H.R. 1 passed 246-183** (2/13/09)

#### **H.R. 2 – Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization**

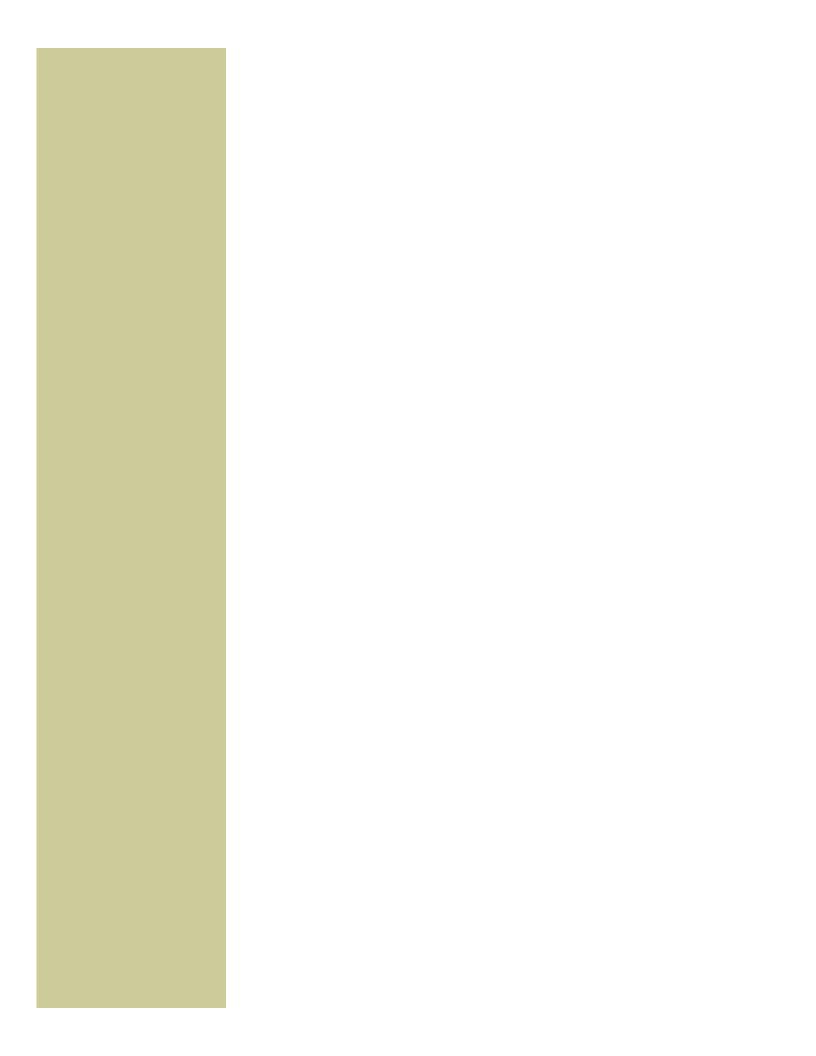
The legislation reauthorizes the SCHIP program through fiscal year 2013 and will provide federal funding to enable states to maintain their current programs and extend them to 4 million additional uninsured children in modest-income families. The SCHIP legislation improves access to benefits for children by providing quality dental coverage and mental health services. Also, the bill improves the SCHIP financial structure, outreach tools to streamline enrollment of eligible children and access to private coverage options. It is fully offset over the five and ten-year budget window and is consistent with the Democratic commitment to Pavgo.

**DS voted FOR H.R. 2; H.R. 2 passed 290-135** (2/4/09)

## **H.R. 384 – TARP Reform and Accountability Act**

Amends the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (EESA) to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to require specified depository institutions under the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) to report periodically on their use of TARP assistance. Requires the Secretary to incorporate within the TARP assistance agreement how the funds are to be used and the benchmarks an institution must meet in using such funds. Requires federal banking regulatory agencies to annually examine the use of TARP funds made by the deposit institutions. Sets forth executive compensation and corporate governance requirements. Instructs the Secretary to make TARP available funds to smaller community financial institutions.

**DS voted FOR H.R. 384; H.R. 384 passed 260-166** (1/21/09)



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