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WEST VIRGINIA-4th DISTRICT

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## RAHALL JOBS PLAN APPROVED

WASHINGTON D.C. --- THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS APPROVED LEGISLATION CONTAINING A JOBS PLAN, DEVELOPED BY WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, THAT IS AIMED AT PUTTING UNEMPLOYED COAL MINERS BACK TO WORK.

RAHALL'S PROPOSAL WAS INCLUDED AS PART OF THE INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS MEASURE, WHICH ALLOCATED \$112.9 MILLION TO HIRE OUT-OF-WORK COAL MINERS AND CONSTRUCTION WORKERS TO RECLAIM ABANDONED MINE SITES.

"WITH THE NATIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE NEARING THE 11 PERCENT FIGURE, AND WITH 30 PERCENT OF THE WORKFORCE UNEMPLOYED IN THE COAL FIELDS, THIS EFFORT WILL FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL GOALS, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME STIMULATE THE ECONOMY IN DEPRESSED COAL PRODUCING REGIONS OF OUR STATE AND NATION," CONGRESSMAN RAHALL STATED.

THE RAHALL JOBS PROPOSAL IS ESTIMATED TO CREATE A OVER 30,000 JOBS.