

GOP Jobs Plan Bills -- Week of June 20

House Republicans know that job one is job growth.

- After a \$1 trillion failed stimulus package and 28 straight months of national unemployment at or above 8 percent, Americans are still asking “where are the jobs?” The failing Obama “recovery” is moving too slowly to create the jobs that Americans need.
- Small businesses are facing a crushing level of uncertainty – caused by this Administration’s policies – preventing them from hiring and growing. Employers know that historic debt will lead to historic taxes, which will lead to businesses being unable to innovate, expand, or hire more workers.
- We can’t borrow, spend, and bail out our way to job creation and economic prosperity – we need to get government out of the way so American job creators can do their job.
- In order to create jobs and put Americans back to work, ***we have to stop spending money we don’t have.***
- [The House Republican Plan for America’s Job Creators](#) addresses our economic challenges through common sense, pro-growth policies to give small businesses and entrepreneurs renewed confidence in our economy and to remove Washington as the roadblock to job creation.

This Week’s Jobs Bills on the Floor:

The America Invents Act (H.R. 1249)

- Under our current patent system there is a backlog of 700,000 patent applications. The current system of filing, challenging, and litigating patents can lead to costly and unnecessary delays, which means fewer resources for growth and hiring new employees.
- The America Invents Act will modernize and improve the patent system to discourage frivolous lawsuits, expedite reviews, and provide better protection for job creating entrepreneurs.
- Streamlining the patent system will make it easier for existing businesses to grow and allow more start-up companies to flourish and create needed jobs.

The Jobs and Energy Permitting Act (H.R. 2021)

- Gas prices have doubled since Obama took office while unemployment has stayed above 8 percent for 28 months (9 percent for 23 months)—the worst jobless streak since the Great Depression.
- The policies of the Obama Administration are causing more job losses, more dependence on foreign oil, and more pain at the gas pump.
- The [House Republican Plan for America's Job Creators](#) promotes lower energy prices and higher job growth through increased production of American energy.
- This bill, which is part of the American Energy Initiative, takes a pivotal step in ensuring more jobs and energy independence for America by eliminating needless permitting delays off the coast of Alaska and elsewhere, opening access to fuel and helping to create new jobs.