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RSC Update: The Freedom to Succeed

From the Chairman

Government does not create jobs, but it can create a better environment for the people who do. That's why Rep. Scott Garrett and I reached out to RSC members last week asking them to suggest ways this Congress can get Washington out of the way and clear a path for real private sector growth. Their feedback – and yours as well – will determine the focus of our proposals for economic growth in the coming months.

The conventional wisdom says conservative, job friendly policies have little chance of becoming law so long as the Obama administration continues to push job-killing [tax increases](#) and [more regulation](#). But if you always believe the conventional wisdom, you'll never accomplish anything.

While some initially dismissed the RSC's Cut, Cap, and Balance approach to spending restraint, it shaped this summer's entire debate over the federal debt. Thanks to Republican efforts to cut spending, the projected deficits for the next decade are now \$3.2 trillion lower than they were at the start of this year. Conservatives should build on this progress and actively promote economic liberty and policies that give Americans the freedom to succeed.

God Bless,

Congressman Jim Jordan
Chairman, Republican Study Committee

RSC Media Activity – RSC members work hard to ensure that the conservative viewpoint is well-represented in all corners of the media. Visit our [Media Center](#) for more.

- Rep. Darrell Issa (CA-49): [Health Care Will Deepen Deficit](#); Politico, August 22.
- Rep. Phil Roe (TN-01): [Our Country Is at a Crossroads](#); Fox Nation, August 24.
- Rep. Joe Pitts (PA-16): [Struggling Against the Tide of Regulations](#); Weekly Column, August 26.

RSC Member Activity – RSC members make it a priority to introduce productive, conservative solutions for America's future.

- Rep. Mike Coffman (CO-06) announced he will introduce legislation after the scheduled August recess that would [put an end to the defined-benefit retirement plan](#) currently available to members of Congress.

Outlook – A quick look at what’s on the horizon.

- The House has recessed until September 7, though it will hold pro forma sessions throughout the month of August to prevent presidential recess appointments.

RSC Reports

- Each week the House is in session, the RSC Budget and Spending Taskforce compiles a [weekly report](#) on the latest budget and spending news. Additionally, the [RSC Money Monitor](#) tracks how bills passed by the House affect authorizations, mandatory spending, and federal government revenue.

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