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THE BIPARTISAN BUY AMERICAN CAUCUS.

Along with Republican Walter P. Jones, I am Co-Chair of the bipartisan Buy American Caucus, which is working to bring both parties together around a plan to create jobs and rebuild manufacturing at home.

Our plan will:

- ✓ Ensure more contracts for Connecticut manufacturers – and more jobs.
- ✓ Eliminate loopholes used by foreign companies to create jobs overseas.
- ✓ Strengthen the foundation for our local economy.

I will continue to keep you informed about our progress.



*Congressman Murphy visits
Colonial Bronze in Torrington.*

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An update on the fight to make things in America again

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FROM CONGRESSMAN CHRIS MURPHY





CHRIS MURPHY: "Here's where things stand in the fight to strengthen our 'Buy American' laws."

Every day, I hear about the need to create jobs and rebuild manufacturing. Last year I did a study that found our country lost 600,000 jobs in the last 4 years alone because of loopholes in our 'Buy American' laws – the laws meant to encourage the purchase of American-made goods and boost American manufacturing.

That's why I've made strengthening our 'Buy American' laws a top priority – to stop sending American tax dollars overseas and start creating jobs here in Connecticut.

Here's an update on where things stand:

1. The American Jobs Matter Act. (HR 1354)

I wrote this bill to require the government to consider the impact on American jobs when awarding each contract. We have a right to know where our tax dollars are being spent, and companies should be rewarded for keeping and creating jobs here in America.

Passed committee, but failed in the House by 4 votes. I am working to get it approved by the whole House and Senate.

2. Strengthening Buy American for the Department of Defense. (HR 1540)

I passed an amendment to require the Department of Defense to justify any and all waivers to the Buy American Act. In addition, I have another bill that has passed the House and is pending approval by the Senate to require the Coast Guard to consider the impact on American jobs in awarding contracts.

Passed in the House.

3. The Currency Reform for Fair Trade Act. (HR 639)

Connecticut alone has lost 23,700 jobs to China because of a trade imbalance caused by China's manipulation of its currency. This bill would curb China's unfair trade practices and help support jobs in Connecticut and across America.

Awaiting action in the House.

4. Ending Buy American Loopholes for the State Department. (HR 2583)

The State Department buys \$1 billion worth of items for our Embassies, but a loophole exempts most of that from Buy American laws. I passed a measure to require our State Department to Buy American – and support American jobs – whenever possible.

Passed the Foreign Affairs Committee, awaiting action in the whole House.



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Congressman Murphy's Survey on Buy American

1. Current Buy American laws require at least 50% of goods purchased by the government to be American made. Do you think that number should be higher or lower?

- Higher Lower Not Sure

2. Which sectors of Connecticut's economy do you think are most important for job creation? (Rank your top 3)

- Real estate and construction Transportation and infrastructure Manufacturing
 Finance, investments and insurance Renewable energy Education
 Other _____ Other _____

3. Other than strengthening Buy American laws, what do you think is the best way to create jobs in Connecticut?

- Invest in roads and bridges Cut taxes for individuals and families
 Invest in education and job training Cut taxes for businesses
 Expand credit for small businesses Other _____

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