Press Release:

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**Heller:** **This compromise will provide much needed economic relief to middle class families across Nevada**

**(Washington, DC) –** Today U.S. Senator Dean Heller (R-NV) made the following statement on the Senate passing legislation to extend the payroll tax holiday and unemployment insurance.

“This compromise will provide much needed economic relief to middle class families across Nevada. Now Congress must turn its attention to job creation, helping to turn our economy around, and place our nation on the path towards long-term prosperity. Job creation is, and will continue be my top priority and I will continue to fight for Nevadans who have fallen on tough times,” said Senator Dean Heller.

Heller led the fight in the Senate and authored legislation [to extend the temporary payroll tax holiday](http://heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/pressreleases?ID=b1cf7e00-6d41-4f07-b1f8-5f97390c3bb8) without raising taxes on job creators.

In a [letter](http://heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/pressreleases?ID=736e0cde-338b-4b19-8cde-3fcc654249d1) to the conferees, Heller advocated for the preservation of unemployment benefits for states like Nevada that continue to experience high unemployment. The compromise allows for 73 weeks of unemployment insurance for states with unemployment rates greater than 9%. A copy of that letter has been included with this release.

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