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U.S. Senator Dean Heller

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**Heller Statement on Fiscal Cliff Negotiations**

**(Washington, D.C.) –** U.S. Senator Dean Heller issued the following statement after voting against the last minute proposal considered on the Senate floor tonight:

“Congress has had nearly a year and a half to work out a deal, but the Senate has waited until the final hours to vote on a proposal. This is entire process has been an embarrassment, and I hope that Washington finally realizes that running the clock on last-minute, high-drama crises is no way to run a country.

“This proposal simply does not make the long-term spending cuts necessary to put our county on the path toward economic stability and growth. It fails to address the reckless habits that have forced our debt to record levels, and puts middle-class Nevadans on the hook for Congress’ failure to budget responsibly. Once again, Congress has opted for a last-ditch effort that simply kicks the can further down the road,” said Senator Dean Heller.

Senator Heller was also the only member of the Nevada delegation to vote against the Budget Control Act, which triggered sequestration following the Super Committee’s inability to negotiate.

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