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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 in favor of the Senate proposal to avoid the fiscal cliff:

“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 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. Moving forward, Democrats and Republicans must commit to working together so that Congress can better serve the American people.

“Times are tough, especially for the Silver State, and ultimately the Senate did the right thing today by providing certainty for Nevada’s families and businesses. Today the Senate came to an agreement on a pro-growth solution that will allow Nevadans to keep more of the money they earned in their pockets. While I did not get everything that I wanted, this bipartisan compromise will allow businesses to start planning for the future and ensure that unemployment benefits are extended at a time when so many Nevadans are looking for employment,” said Senator Dean Heller.

Senator Heller was 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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