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 **Heller, GOP Senators Offer Jobs Proposal**

*Includes Heller Measure to Improve NV Resource Production*

**(Washington DC)** – U.S. Senator Dean Heller (R-NV) has joined with Republican Senators to offer a comprehensive, effective proposal that will create jobs without burdening job creators with additional taxes and regulations.

“Job creation is and continues to be my number one priority, and every member of Congress must come together and work on a plan to get Nevadans and our nation working again. The President offered his proposal, but even members of his own party saw that recycling the same failed ideas will not get our nation out of this economic slump. We are offering a comprehensive measure that will stop government over-spending and create jobs, providing the solutions Americans have been asking for. Let’s have an honest and open debate on this jobs plan, bring both sides together and find a solution that will get our economy moving again,” said Senator Heller.

The proposal includes a measure written by Senator Heller to streamline the permitting process for renewable energy and mineral production on federal lands by eliminating unnecessary delays in the approval process.

“Due to the vast amount of federal lands in our state, a major part of generating jobs in Nevada is to ensure we have access to our resources here in our own backyard. Streamlining the process for mineral and renewable energy development is an easy solution that will create jobs and make a real difference here at home. This step, along with a robust energy policy, streamlined regulations, and comprehensive tax reform, will lay the foundation for economic growth and job creation,” Heller added.

The Senators released their plan after a proposal offered by President Obama failed to garner adequate support from both parties. This legislation focuses on responsible government spending, fundamental tax reform, reducing burdensome government regulations and a comprehensive energy policy, all areas that Heller asked the President to include in any new jobs plan. You can view that letter [here](http://heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/2011/9/heller-proposes-ideas-for-job-creation).

Senators John McCain (R-AZ), Rob Portman (R-OH) and Rand Paul (R-KY) sponsored the bill. A summary of the bill can be found [here](http://mccain.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=Files.View&FileStore_id=0331f76c-1edb-4995-b5da-00ae986134c7).

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