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Murphy to Vote Against Health Care Reform Bill?

NEWTOWN, PA – In a recent newspaper article current Bucks County Congressman Patrick Murphy indicated that he would vote against any health care reform bill that added to the national deficit. He spoke to the Bucks County Courier Times editorial board about wanting the Congressional Budget Office to indicate that any bill he supports would not add to the deficit.

Murphy Watch spokesperson, Paul Salvatore stated today “It is clear now that Pat Murphy will vote against the current health care reform bill in the House of Representatives. Murphy has now repeated the assertion that he will vote against any bill that adds to the deficit. I’m glad that Congressman Murphy will be voting against this ill advised bill and ask him to release a statement to his constituents to that effect.”

Salvatore added, “The Congressional Budget Office has already examined this legislation and issued a report in July that the bill if passed would increase the deficit by \$100 billion a year for the next ten years leading to another trillion dollar deficit. I would have hoped our Congressman had read this report already.”

One the pork and waste in the current bill Salvatore stated, “One only needs to read deep into the over 1000 page bill to see billions of dollars in new federal spending for things like ‘health professions training for diversity research’, ‘quality and surveillance research’ and ‘health workforce assessment research’ that will not go to provide health insurance for one American citizen.”

“Congressman Murphy now needs to either step up and be the fiscal conservative that he told Bucks County residents he would be in 2006, and publicly oppose this bill, or he needs to drop the Blue Dog label and join forces with the far left Nancy Pelosi. This is the time to set the record straight. If he votes for this bill he risks being labeled untruthful and a hypocrite. It is the defining moment of his Congressional service to this point”, concluded Salvatore.

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