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House Energy and Commerce Committee
Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet
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Subject: H.R. 3630 Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012
Promoting Job Creation, Innovation and Public Safety

GLEN JONES (WI)
Recording Secretary

Dear Chairman Walden,

WILLIAM R. STAVISKI (NY)
Treasurer

On behalf of the National Troopers Coalition representing over 45,000 State Troopers and Highway Patrol Officers throughout this nation, I am proud to support this legislation to positively address vital law enforcement and first responder concerns of communications interoperability in the proposed Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012. I commend your efforts.

BRIAN PETERSEN (NE)
North Coordinator

TIM AMBURN (NC)
South Coordinator

H.R. 3630 provides for the allocation of D Block spectrum which is a necessary communications tool for our nation's law enforcement and first responders. We specifically appreciate your intent to provide up to \$7 billion to support and develop the network. We are sure there will be challenges ahead but this is a tremendous step forward.

THOMAS BRACKIN (DE)
East Coordinator

JASON GREEN (WY)
West Coordinator

We are aware that you and your committee have made significant concessions concerning the allocation of the D Block and we are grateful for your willingness to put the needs of law enforcement ahead of partisanship. The investigative tools that this allocation provides are many and enactment and implementation of this interoperable system will save lives.

MICHAEL T. EDES (ME)
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As you proceed to vote on this negotiated agreement, know your efforts are appreciated and will not be forgotten. This is important legislation and we are grateful to have your support.

MICHAEL MUTH
Director of Communications

Respectfully,

Dennis Hallion
Executive Director
National Troopers Coalition