

Congressman Rothman Votes to Green Schools, Create New Jobs

(Washington, DC) Today, Congressman Steve Rothman (D-NJ) voted in favor of the 21st Century Green High-Performing Public School Facilities Act that will improve our public schools, create clean energy jobs, reduce our dependence on foreign oil and lower energy costs for taxpayers. The Act, passed by the House 275 - 155, will invest in our schools to help prepare our children for the jobs of the future and to boost our economy.

“Our schools should be safe and healthy learning environments for our children,” said Rothman. “This bill gives us a chance to upgrade our school buildings and boost student achievement while creating good local jobs and preventing an increase in local property taxes to pay for it.”

The 21st Century Green High-Performing Public School Facilities Act provides over \$6 billion in federal funds to upgrade school buildings to make them more energy efficient and better able to rely on renewable sources of energy. School districts in New Jersey’s 9th Congressional District will receive more than \$15.5 million in funding. The bill also generates long-term savings for schools by reducing energy expenses.

“The quality of a school isn’t just important for our children’s health — it’s critical for their learning. We must invest resources to provide the kind of safe, clean and healthy schools that our children deserve,” said Rothman.

Local Education Agencies (LEA) in New Jersey’s 9th Congressional District are estimated (according to the Congressional Research Service) to receive the following allocations from H.R. 2187 in FY2010:

School
District

Allocation Amount

Bogota
Borough

\$71,000

Carlstadt Borough

\$29,000

Carlstadt – East Rutherford

\$29,000

Cliffside Park Borough

\$207,000

East Rutherford Borough

\$51,000

Edgewater Borough

\$80,000

Elmwood Park

\$140,000

Englewood
City

\$259,000

Englewood
Cliffs Borough

\$14,000

Fair Lawn Borough

\$69,000

Fairview
Borough

\$218,000

Fort Lee Borough

\$284,000

Garfield
City

\$417,000

Hackensack
City

\$495,000

Hasbrouck
Heights Borough

\$37,000

Hawthorne
Borough

\$117,000

Jersey City

\$9,021,000

Kearny
Town

\$608,000

Leonia Borough

\$74,000

Little Ferry Borough

\$98,000

Lodi
Borough

\$241,000

Lyndhurst
Township

\$104,000

Maywood
Borough

\$26,000

Moonachie Borough

\$23,000

New Milford Borough

\$37,000

North Arlington Borough

\$71,000

North Bergen
Township

\$1,544,000

Palisades

Park

\$157,000

Ridgefield
Borough

\$97,000

Ridgefield
Park Township

\$107,000

Rutherford Borough

\$51,000

Saddle
Brook Township

\$61,000

Secaucus
Town

\$109,000

South
Hackensack Township

\$16,000

Teaneck
Township

\$247,000

Wallington Borough

\$90,000

Wood-Ridge Borough

\$16,000

TOTAL

\$15,675,006

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