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U.S. Congressman Mike Rogers

FRIB at MSU to Receive Funding

As you may know, Michigan State University (MSU) is home to the Facility for Rare Isotope Beams (FRIB), a new national research facility for nuclear

science. This program is funded by the Department of Energy and operated by the researchers and scientists at MSU.

Recently, the House Appropriations Committee approved \$24 million in the 2012 budget for FRIB. Although the committee agreed to less than President Obama's budget request for this important program, as a long time supporter, I am pleased that the Appropriations Committee funded FRIB at this level within the confines of a bill that spends less than last year. This funding will help FRIB and MSU move forward as a national lender in science research and is anticipated to create 400 jobs and \$1 billion in revenue over the next 20 years.

To read more about FRIB in the *Lansing State Journal*, [click here](#).

U.S. Policy in Pakistan and Afghanistan

On June 14, I gave a keynote address at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) Program on Crisis, Conflict, and Cooperation regarding U.S. policy in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Last week I also appeared on *Good Morning America (GMA)* to discuss the threat Al Qaeda and Yemen continue to pose to the United States and *Face the Nation* to discuss Pakistan and troop withdrawal from Afghanistan.

To watch me address CSIS, please click [here](#) and to watch my interview on *GMA*, please click [here](#). To watch my interview on *Face the Nation*, which is in the second segment of the show and begins at minute 16:13, please click [here](#).

Congress Cuts Funding for the Executive Office

On February 14, 2011, President Obama released his Fiscal Year 2012 budget proposal which requested a \$34 million *increase* in funding for his budget at the White House.

House Republicans began this year by cutting congressional and committee office budgets by five percent and the House Appropriations Committee went even further to cut nine percent of its own budget. This week, the House Appropriations Committee asked for the same sacrifice from the White House by cutting five percent from the Executive Office of the President.

With a massive \$1.6 trillion deficit and a \$14 trillion debt that is stealing from the future of our children and grandchildren, Congress and the President must lead the way by doing more with less.

Questioning Obama Administration on Job-Killing Health Care Law

Last week, the House Energy and Commerce Committee conducted a hearing regarding President Obama's health care law and the legislation I authored, the Access to Professional Health Insurance Advisors Act. This bill is aimed at

eliminating one of the many job-killing mandates included in the health care law – the Medical Loss Ratio (MLR) rule.

This rule has had a devastating impact on thousands of health care agents and brokers across the country. The majority of health care agents are small business owners who help other employers navigate the complex health insurance market and provide incredible value to our health care system and the employer community.

Rest assured, I will continue to work to replace the health care law with common sense reforms which lower health care costs and not put Washington in charge of our health care system.

To watch me question the Obama administration on the MLR regulation in the House Energy and Commerce Committee, please click [here](#).

Thank you for the opportunity to contact you. You can also follow my efforts on [YouTube](#) (RepMikeRogers) and [Facebook](#) (Mike J. Rogers). Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely,



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