

# Press Release

## HOUSE T&I COMMITTEE WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

### *Appointments raise Democratic majority to 45 on the 75-seat Committee*

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A senior Member of the House of Representatives from Texas is joined by a second-term Member from Illinois and eight freshmen as the new Democratic arrivals on the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Chairman James L. Oberstar (Minn.) announced today.

Veteran Rep. Solomon Ortiz (Tex.), in his 14th term, is among the new T&I appointees, as is second-term Rep. Phil Hare (Ill.). Freshmen Members are John A. Boccieri (Ohio), Mark H. Schauer (Mich.), Betsy Markey (Colo.), Parker Griffith (Ala.), Michael E. McMahon (N.Y.), Thomas S. P. Perriello (Va.), Dina Titus (Nev.), and Harry Teague (N.M.).

The assignments bring the Democratic roster on the Committee to 45 on the 75-seat Committee, a ratio of majority to minority seats consistent with the majority-minority ratio in the House as a whole. Majority Democrats held 41 seats on the T&I Committee in the 110th Congress.

Of the 10 new Members, six are replacements for Members who have left the Committee. Rep. Nick Lampson (Tex.) lost his bid for re-election in November. Reps. Brian Higgins (N.Y.), Zack Space (Ohio), Jerry McNerney (Cal.), Bruce Braley (Iowa), and John Salazar (Colo.) have moved to other Committee assignments.

The Democratic roster for the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure in the 111th Congress follows:

James L. Oberstar, Minnesota  
Nick J. Rahall, II, West Virginia  
Peter A. DeFazio, Oregon  
Jerry F. Costello, Illinois  
Eleanor Holmes Norton, District of Columbia  
Jerrold Nadler, New York  
Corrine Brown, Florida  
Bob Filner, California

Eddie Bernice Johnson, Texas  
Gene Taylor, Mississippi  
Elijah E. Cummings, Maryland  
Ellen O. Tauscher, California  
Leonard L. Boswell, Iowa  
Tim Holden, Pennsylvania  
Brian Baird, Washington  
Rick Larsen, Washington  
Michael E. Capuano, Massachusetts  
Timothy H. Bishop, New York  
Michael H. Michaud, Maine  
Russ Carnahan, Missouri  
Grace F. Napolitano, California  
Daniel Lipinski, Illinois  
Mazie Hirono, Hawaii  
Jason Altmire, Pennsylvania  
Timothy J. Walz, Minnesota  
Heath Shuler, North Carolina  
Michael A. Arcuri, New York  
Harry E. Mitchell, Arizona  
Christopher P. Carney, Pennsylvania  
John J. Hall, New York  
Steve Kagen, Wisconsin  
Steve Cohen, Tennessee  
Laura A. Richardson, California  
Albio Sires, New Jersey  
Donna F. Edwards, Maryland  
Solomon P. Ortiz, Texas  
Phil Hare, Illinois  
John A. Boccieri, Ohio  
Mark H. Schauer, Michigan  
Betsy Markey, Colorado  
Parker Griffith, Alabama  
Michael E. McMahon, New York  
Thomas S. P. Perriello, Virginia  
Dina Titus, Nevada  
Harry Teague, New Mexico