

## Accomplishments

### Legislation

16 initiatives led by Altmire have been signed into law, including 6 dealing with veterans and military families:

- &bull; Treatment and screening of traumatic brain injury for returning veterans;
- &bull; Guaranteeing wounded military veterans can keep their enlistment bonuses;
- &bull; Expanding business opportunities for veterans who are small business owners;
- &bull; Tax relief to military families who are facing financial hardship due to multiple deployments;
- &bull; Extending FMLA benefits for all military guard and reserve families;
- &bull; Eliminating the late enrollment penalty on prescription drug coverage for low-income seniors;
- &bull; Ensuring seniors maintain access to critical medical equipment and supplies.

8 additional bills or Amendments authored by Altmire have been passed by the House, including:

- &bull; Expanding access to capital for small businesses;
- &bull; Making college more affordable for working families;
- &bull; Protecting the 2nd amendment rights of sportsmen on public lands.

In addition, the 110th Congress has made progress for the American people by enacting into law:

- Largest veterans' health care funding increase in history &ndash; over \$12 billion;
- New GI Bill to help Iraq and Afghanistan veterans go to college;
- Tax rebates to 130 million American families and \$50 billion in small business tax cuts;
- Tax cuts for 25 million middle-class families &ndash; including 60,000 in the Fourth Congressional District &ndash; facing the AMT;
- Expansion of offshore drilling to increase domestic production of oil and help reduce gas prices;
- Higher fuel efficiency standards for cars and light trucks &ndash; the first increase in 32 years;
- Largest college aid expansion since the GI Bill in 1944;
- Extended unemployment benefits for 3.5 million Americans;
- First increase in the minimum wage in a decade;
- Landmark lobbying and ethics reform.

#### Leadership

- Appointed Chairman of Small Business Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigation;
- Helped prevent a proposed hospital budget cut that saved PA hospitals \$74 million;
- Convened a congressional field hearing to investigate SBA's response to flooding in Aliquippa, the North Hills and the A-K Valley;
- Appointed Co-Chair of a congressional task force on health care reform.

#### Funding for the District

Secured over \$80 million for western PA projects, including funding for:

- Emergency first responders;
- Community hospitals;
- Transportation and infrastructure improvements including the Ohio River locks and dams;
- Research and development projects for Western PA companies.

#### Independent Voting Record

Altmire is rated by the non-partisan publications Congressional Quarterly and National Journal as having one of the most reliably moderate and centrist voting records in all of Congress.

Jason Altmire is one of only 2 members of the U.S. House of Representatives with perfect attendance, having made every vote during the 110th Session of Congress.

