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American Jobs Act – Impact on Rhode Island

Providence, RI –Rhode Island Democratic Party Chair Ed Pacheco issued the following statement regarding President Obama’s proposed American Jobs Act and its impact on the State of Rhode Island:

“The President’s proposal provides tax cuts for small businesses, modernizing and restructuring, pathways to work for the thousands of unemployed Americans and tax relief for American families – all of this with the sole purpose of generating good-paying jobs while not adding to our nation’s deficit.

“Specifically, with the passage of this Act, Rhode Island employers would receive a payroll tax cut; we will have investments to modernize our infrastructure, our schools and our community colleges; funding to prevent layoffs of thousands of educators and first responders; immediate relief for Rhode Island workers and families through the payroll tax cut; and Pathways Back to Work for unemployed Rhode Islanders seeking jobs. And this is all fully paid for as part of the President’s long-term deficit reduction plan.

“These are initiatives that have crossed the aisle in years past – bipartisan ideas from which Rhode Islanders can benefit and grow. The time for political gridlock is over and Congress needs to do their part in moving this economy forward and getting people back to work.

“Republicans across the nation and GOP candidates in Rhode Island like Brendan Doherty want more of the same: tax cuts for the super wealthy and government handouts for Big Business. Based on their statements, Republicans are prepared to put politics ahead of country to the detriment of struggling American families.

“While this is not going to solve every issue with regard to the economy and unemployment, this is the plan America and Rhode Island needs right now.”

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