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Author of Bill to Privatize Social Security Likes What He Sees in Doherty

Providence, RI - Brendan Doherty continues to show his true colors as a proud conservative Republican. Fresh off his closed-door meeting with House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, and just weeks after traveling to New Hampshire to campaign for Mitt Romney, we now learn Brendan Doherty is bringing Texas Republican Congressman Pete Sessions to Rhode Island to raise money for his campaign.

Who is Pete Sessions? In addition to being the chair of the National Republican Campaign Committee, Sessions has been one of the biggest cheerleaders for the radical Republican agenda in Congress. Sessions just last year introduced a bill to privatize Social Security. He also offended women from coast to coast by saying he failed to understand the problem with insurance companies charging women higher premiums than men. Sessions defended the practice by comparing women to people who smoke, somehow suggesting that being a woman, like chain-smoking, should be considered a pre-existing condition.

This is just more proof that the Republican leadership knows Brendan Doherty will be a reliable vote for their agenda as they try to protect tax breaks for millionaires and corporations that outsource jobs and try to slash Medicare and Social Security.

"It is extremely telling that Brendan Doherty would welcome support from the same Washington Republicans whose policies have devastated the middle-class," said RI Democratic Party Chairman Ed Pacheco. "For all his talk of bipartisanship, Doherty's plan to end the capital gains tax, slash taxes on big corporations, and change Social Security benefits for anyone age 52 and younger puts him in lockstep with the far-right Republicans in Congress. And the last thing Rhode Islanders need is another vote for their agenda."