

# Year End Report from Congressman Michael McCaul

C During my first year in Congress, I have enjoyed working for the constituents of the 10th District. Congress has made tremendous progress on the issues that matter most to Americans, and I will continue to work hard and continue to fight for you and your family.

- Congressman Michael McCaul

Securing our Homeland

Improving Education

Supporting Our Troops

Growing the Economy

# **Congressman Michael McCaul**

# **Delivering for Texas' 10th District**

## NAMED CHAIRMAN OF THE HOMELAND SECURITY SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS.

#### INTRODUCED

Amendment to H.R. 4312, The Border Security and Terrorism Prevention Act (*comprehensive border bill*):

Allows for states to use their federal homeland security grants for reimbursements to state and local law enforcement for the costs incurred in their efforts to help secure our borders.

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#### H.R. 4238, The Border Security Enforcement and Detention Act:

Ends the current "catch and release" policy by detaining all undocumented aliens apprehended at the border, and authorizes the Secretary of Homeland Security to create temporary detention space areas to house those apprehended.

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## **H.R. 4099, The Homeland Security Volunteerism Enhancement Act:** Enables law abiding citizens to assist the U.S. Border Patrol in defending our nation's borders after undergoing federal training.

# SIGNED INTO LAW

# H.R. 1001, The Designating the Pflugerville Post Office as the "Sergeant Byron W. Norwood Post Office Building":

Marine Sergeant Byron Norwood helped to rescue and save seven Marines' lives from the insurgence in Iraq, and paid the ultimate sacrifice in the process.



President Bush signs into law Congressman McCaul's bill naming the Pflugerville Post office after Sergeant Byron W. Norwood.

## A MESSAGE FROM CONGRESSMAN MICHAEL MCCAUL

Dear Fellow Texan,

As Congress works to finish this legislative session, I would like to provide you with some of the major accomplishments of the House of Representatives during the 109th Congress. It has been a busy first session, with action on legislation effecting energy, the economy and national security.

The accomplishments reflect the priorities of America and the 10th District of Texas - priorities that have strengthened our economy, protected our families and defended our freedom. These achievements will benefit you and other Texans today and in the future as you pursue your goals enjoying the freedom and countless opportunities you have as Americans.

I hope you find this information helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can ever be of assistance to you. It is an honor to serve you in the United States House of Representatives.



Sincerely,

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Congressman Michael McCaul

# A Year in Review Accomplish

### FOR OUR CHILDREN

 H.R. 2123, The School Readiness Act of 2005: Creates more competition in the Head Start System.

#### ✓ H.R. 3132, The Children's Safety Act of 2005:

Addresses the growing epidemic of violence against children. It enhances the safety of children from convicted sex offenders through coordinated State sex offender registration and notification programs. Creates a new criminal penalty of a mandatory minimum of 5 years in jail to a maximum of 20 years for sex offenders who fail to comply with registration requirements.



#### ✓ H.R. 1279, The Gang Deterrence and Community Protection Act:

Seeks to rip apart criminal gang networks by increasing tools and resources for local, state and federal police, and mandates tough sentences for violent criminal gang acts.

### FOR OUR ECONOMY

#### ✓ H.R. 8, The Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act of 2005:

Permanently repeals the death tax, which will;

- simplify tax law and facilitate long-term financial planning,
- ensure that small businesses and family farms are not subject to these unfair rates of taxation,
- promote fairness and simplification by giving taxpayers the certainty they deserve.

#### ✓ H.R. 27, The Job Training Improvement Act of 2005:

Enhances the workforce investment system of the nation by;

- strengthening one-stop career centers,
- providing for more effective governance arrangements,
- promoting access to a more comprehensive array of employment opportunities,
- training and related services,
- establishing a targeted approach to serving youth, and improving performance accountability.

#### ✓ H.R. 4241, The Deficit Reduction Act:

Reduces the budget deficit by \$50 billion over the next five years.

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## FOR OUR DEFENSE

#### ✓ H.R. 418, The Real ID Act of 2005:

Establishes and implements federal regulations for security standards for driver's licenses and identification. This bill will also prevent terrorist from abusing the asylum laws of the United States; unify terrorism related grounds for inadmissibility and removal; and ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence.

PASSPORT



H.R.1544, The Faster and Smarter Funding for First Responders Act of 2005: Amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to set forth provisions governing Department of Homeland Security (DHS) grant funding for first responders.

H.R. 2475, The Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006: Continues the commitment to the Global War on Terrorism, and ensures that intelligence resources are directed in a balanced way toward threats to our national security.

## FOR OUR VETERANS AND TROOPS

#### ✓ H.R. 1268, The War Supplemental:

Makes emergency supplemental appropriations, which include;

- \$75.9 billion for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan,
- \$4.1 billion for international security programs,
- \$1.2 billion for domestic counterterrorism programs.

#### H.R. 1220, The Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2005:

Provides a cost-of-living adjustment to the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities, and adjusts the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain serviceconnected disabled veterans.



#### ✓ H.R. 3365, The Veterans Housing Improvement Act of 2005:

Authorizes a five year pilot program to provide for specially adaptive housing assistance to certain severely disabled veterans residing temporarily in housing owned by a family member.

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