



## Joint Economic Committee

## VICE CHAIRMAN JIM SAXTON

## PRESS RELEASE

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## HEARING ANNOUNCEMENT - JEC Hearing on New Employment Data Scheduled for Friday --

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – The Joint Economic Committee (JEC) will hold a hearing on the March employment data to be released on Friday, April 2, 2004, Vice Chairman Jim Saxton (R-N.J.) announced today. Dr. Kathleen P. Utgoff, Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will testify.

"The March employment data to be released this Friday will be eagerly awaited by ordinary citizens, economists, market analysts and the press," Saxton said. "I would note that in recent months the payroll employment increases have usually fallen short of forecasters' expectations," Saxton concluded.

**Hearing Topic:** The Employment Situation: March 2004

**Time:** 9:30 a.m.

**Date:** Friday, April 2, 2004

**Room:** 1334 Longworth House Office Building

Witness: Dr. Kathleen P. Utgoff, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics

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