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Inglis unveils 'action plan'

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Republican U.S. Rep. Bob Inglis released Monday an "Action Plan: America Wins" dealing with seven major issues facing America.

In the slick-paper 12-page magazine-style book, Inglis offers "Here's how" solutions in outline form to fuel prices, food prices, immigration, climate change, Iraq, health care and education.

"The concept is to lay out a clear path of action," Inglis said. "What you won't find in our booklet is a lot of pictures and fluff. When oil gets to \$125 a barrel, it is not time to be talking fluff, it is time to be talking very specific solutions."

Inglis said he began working on the plan sometime ago for release now, but noted that it comes as his Republican Party is seeking to redefine itself after losing recent special House elections and sour poll ratings.

Charles Jeter, Inglis' opponent in the June 10 primary, couldn't be reached for comment.

Inglis, of Travelers Rest, is seeking his sixth term as the 4th Congressional District representative.

He described his solutions as bold enough to bring Republicans, Democrats and independents together.

Inglis called for "reinventing the car" for greater fuel efficiency, lowering food prices by increasing oil refinery capacity and eventual weaning of cars from oil-based fuel, and establishing "success checkpoints" for measuring progress in Iraq.