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Alexander Statement on State of the Union Address

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, issued the following statement on President Bush's final State of the Union Address:

"Tonight the President affirmed a message the hard-working taxpayers across the nation have been waiting to hear. President Bush stressed the importance of empowering Americans to pull our economy out of its weakened state by returning money to the pockets of those who have earned it. During this uncertain time, Congress has a great responsibility to enact a stimulus that will not be a simple quick fix but a plan that will have a long-term impact, and the President's proposal is the first stage of this process.

"In his final address, the President also touched on the unfinished business of his administration, giving emphasis to issues that I know are of great concern to residents in the 5th District – matters such as immigration reform and protecting the futures of Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. He called for bipartisan cooperation in resolving these concerns, and I share his determination to swiftly settle these issues which have remained unresolved for far too long."

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