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**JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE TO HOLD  
FIRST 2008 CONGRESSIONAL HEARING ON NEW  
JOBS REPORT ON DAY OF ITS RELEASE**

*With a Looming Recession, JEC to Address New Jobs Report from Bureau of  
Labor Statistics and Assess Economic Impact*

*Schumer to Welcome Newly-Confirmed BLS Commissioner Keith Hall to First  
Congressional Jobs Hearing*

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Senator **Charles E. Schumer**, Chairman of the Joint Economic Committee (JEC), will hold a hearing on the newly released Bureau of Labor Statistics' (BLS) monthly employment figures with Commissioner Keith Hall **on Friday, February 1, 2008 at 9:30 am in the Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 106**. The hearing, entitled "*The Employment Situation in January 2008*" will address the new jobs report and previously weak jobs reports in light of a potential recession. The hearing will also address chronically-low job creation during this administration and examine revisions to payroll figures for the past several years to be made that morning. With a recession looming and the unemployment rolls growing, Dr. Hall is expected to provide insight on labor market trends and conditions in a deteriorating economy.

**WHAT:** **Joint Economic Committee Hearing on**  
**"The Employment Situation in January 2008"**  
**WHO:** **Dr. Keith Hall, Commissioner,**  
**Bureau of Labor Statistics**  
**WHEN:** **9: 30 a.m., Friday, February 1, 2008**  
**WHERE:** **Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 106**

*The Joint Economic Committee, established under the Employment Act of 1946, was created by Congress to review economic conditions and to analyze the effectiveness of economic policy.*

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