COOPER COMMENTS ON FISCAL COMMISSION REPORT

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WASHINGTON - Congressman Jim Cooper (TN-05) commented on the report by the National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform. Cooper was an early advocate for a fiscal commission and introduced the SAFE Commission Act (H.R. 1557) with Representative Frank Wolf (R-VA) more than three years ago. The National Commission was modeled after the SAFE Commission Act. "The Commission's report is being met with resounding silence. Yet almost everyone knows that America must make spending cuts of this magnitude. If you don't like the "Moment of Truth" recommendations, then craft your own – and win majority votes of the House and Senate – while remembering that every day of delay costs us roughly \$8 billion. Denial and gridlock will not strengthen America; supporting major changes in fiscal policy will." ###