

U.S. Rep.

Tom Marino

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Hiring Freeze Bill Referred To Committee; Hearing Held

U.S. Rep. Tom Marino's first bill, HR 1779, the Federal Hiring Freeze Act of 2011, is moving along in Washington.

Marino introduced the bill on May 5 and three weeks later was asked to testify in support of the measure before the Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Oversight & Government Reform.

HR 1779 would freeze most federal hiring until the

federal deficit is eliminated. The proposed freeze would affect all federal agencies but allows for exceptions during times of war and for federal law-enforcement positions, and vital national security positions.

In his testimony, Marino cited President Ronald Reagan's first official act following his inauguration in 1981 — a Presidential Memorandum calling for an immediate freeze on the hiring of civilian employees in the executive branch.

Marino also discussed his work experience as a manager in a factory.

"The fact is, we need to manage the government more like we run our businesses," Marino said. "When the revenues weren't coming in, we cut our costs. One of the ways we cut our costs was by not replacing people when they left and asking the remaining employees to produce a little more.

"And they did," he said. "This approach is what we need to do in Washington."



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Saying 'No' to Debt Ceiling Hike

Rep. Marino voted on May 31 against a measure that would raise the debt limit without spending cuts. The final tally was 318-97 against the measure.

The congressman issued this statement: "I am very pleased that the House of Representatives listened to the voice of the people. The taxpayers are the true bankers of this country—and the bankers denied this absurd request to raise the nation's debt limit without making deep spending cuts. They said 'no' to more loans to a poor-risk President and reckless spending.

"It is difficult to imagine that anyone would even consider raising the debt ceiling at a time of record national debt and deficit, and a high unemployment rate.

"By saying no to this administration, we acted on behalf of the responsible lender — the taxpayers — and denied this request."



Marino Lauds Students for Service Work

Rep. Marino delivered the keynote address to the Dallas High School Student Leadership in Civics Club on May 15 at the East Mountain Inn. Marino told the young men and women that they've already learned one of life's most important lessons: the value of service. "If you learn that, then all other facets of your life will be enhanced," he told them. "Service work is not discriminatory; it doesn't matter if you are old or young, rich or poor," he said, noting that everyone has something to offer the community.



Congressman Marches in Clarks Summit Parade

Rep. Marino and his wife Edie participated in the Abington VFW Memorial Post 7069 Memorial Day Parade and Program in Clarks Summit on May 30. The congressman and other elected officials addressed the gathering at the post home and presented wreaths at the site of the monument. Marino urged the group to remember to honor veterans of all wars and all ages and thanked them for their service. He talked about his March trip to the Middle East where he visited troops and military leaders in Afghanistan and Iraq. "After meeting those young men and women in our military, I can sleep much better at night. I feel good knowing that they will come home from war and become our leaders of tomorrow. We are in good hands."

HERE & THERE AROUND THE 10TH DISTRICT..



Rep. Marino, top left, holds a town hall meeting at Keystone College, LaPlume. The congressman meets with staff at Davita Dialysis Center, above, and Tyler Memorial Hospital, Tunkhannock, at right.

At far left, Marino visits the Sunbury Generation Plant. Left, Reps. Marino and Lou Barletta present a flag to Crestwood High School senior Jenna Neubauer.



