



## District to host congressional field hearing on flood issues

Rep. Tom Marino will host a congressional field hearing in the 10<sup>th</sup> District as a followup to this year's flooding.

"Ensuring Effective Preparedness and Response: Lessons Learned from Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee" will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Nov. 29 at Theatre in Brooks, Brooks Hall, Keystone College, College Avenue, LaPlume.

Marino is vice chairman of the U.S. House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response & Communications which will hold the hearing. The subcommittee oversees the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Witnesses are by invitation only and will include a resident of the district whose home and business sustained damage in the flood, along with representatives of the Federal Emergency Management Agency; Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency; of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Pennsyl-

vania Emergency Management Agency, American Red Cross and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Rep. Marino came up with the idea to bring a congressional hearing on the flood during September as he toured the flood-ravaged areas of the district. He spent more than two weeks touring the aftermath of Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee.

He visited all affected counties and talked with residents, business owners, first responders and public officials on the local, county, state and federal levels.

As he gathered comments and suggestions from residents, businesses, first responders and officials on the local, county, state and federal levels, he decided to work on bringing a congressional hearing to the district.

The field hearing is open to the public.

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### Tom's Scrapbook



## Public discussion on jobs set for Monday

Rep. Marino will host a public discussion on jobs Monday, Nov. 21, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Fortinsky Auditorium, Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus.

The roundtable is open to all business owners, self-employed individuals and company managers throughout the region.

Rep. Marino will provide an update on

job-creating legislation pending in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Those in attendance will have the opportunity to ask questions, offer suggestions and recommendations and discuss ideas with the congressman, his staff and other job creators.

For directions to the campus, [click here](#).

### Recent Votes:

*Rep. Marino voted in favor of these measures. All passed the House and are headed to the Senate:*

**HR1070:** Small Company Capital Formation Act of 2011. Reduces regulation and makes it easier for small businesses to raise capital and test the waters for a future initial public offering.

**HR2930:** Entrepreneur Access to Capital Act. Makes it easier for small businesses and entrepreneurs to raise capital. Provides exemptions from Securities and Exchange Commission requirements in order to allow small businesses to raise capital through Internet platforms also known as "crowdfunding," or raising money through relatively small contributions from a large number of people.

**HR1965:** The Community Bank Resource Improvement Act. Helps community banks provide resources to local businesses so they can grow their companies and create jobs. The legislation increases the number of shareholders permitted to invest in a community bank before it must register with the SEC, which will make it easier for community banks to raise capital to lend to businesses.

**HR2940:** Access to Capital for Job Creators Act. A pro-small business measure. It repeals a long-standing rule that makes it harder for small enterprises and large venture capital firms alike to raise capital.

**HR2061:** Civilian Service Recognition Act of 2011. Would authorize the presentation of a U.S. flag to the family or next of kin of a federal civilian employee who is killed performing their duty.

**H CON RES 13:** Reaffirming "In God We Trust" as the official motto of the United States and supporting and encouraging the public display of the national motto in all public buildings, public schools, and other government institutions.

**S1280:** Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011. Amends the Peace Corps Act to require its director to develop and implement comprehensive sexual assault risk-reduction and response training.











