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Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr.

Representing the People of the Sixth District of New Jersey



Congressman Pallone recently held an in-person town hall in Metuchen, N.J. Hundreds of New Jersey residents took the time to discuss their concerns, offer suggestions, and ask questions.

Congressman Pallone wants to hear from you directly. You can contact his offices and visit his website to ask a question or share a concern. You can also follow him on Facebook and Twitter to stay up to date on what he is doing in New Jersey and Washington. You can join Congressman Pallone for his Facebook Live O & A held most weeks on Friday around midday.



Congressman Pallone answers constituent questions at his August town hall in Metuchen.

I want to hear from you

"Please do not hesitate to write or call the district

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Lowering the Cost of Health Care and Prescription Drugs

As Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Congressman Pallone has led the House passage of legislation that will stop the Administration's efforts to roll back critical protections in the Affordable Care Act, lower health care costs, and make prescription drugs more affordable for everyone.

Congressman Pallone led passage of the Protecting Americans with Pre-Existing Conditions Act on the House Floor in May to prevent discrimination against the estimated 3.8 million New Jerseyans living with a pre-existing condition. Congressman Pallone also secured House passage of legislation to bring more affordable generic drugs to market to lower the prices of prescription drugs. One estimate found that drug prices decrease by 50 percent when two generics become available to consumers. Now the Congressman is working to pass legislation to protect patients from surprise medical bills.

PRESCRIPTIONS

Congressman Pallone's March press conference in Metuchen on his legislative plan to lower prescription drugs.

Fighting to lower health care costs by advancing legislation to:

- ✓ Lower prescription drug costs through competition and transparency
- ✓ Block the sabotage of the ACA
- ✓ Protect people with pre-existing conditions
- ✓ Stop surprise medical billing

"I will continue to stand up for people who want access to affordable and quality health care."

A plan to combat climate change

Communities across the country are suffering from historic flooding, raging wildfires, increasingly severe storms, extreme heat and persistent droughts. In July, over 300,000 homes in New Jersey lost power due to a series of damaging storms. It will soon cost New Jersey an estimated \$25 billion to protect our state's coastal communities from sea level rise and storm surge. Congressman Pallone has announced a plan to achieve a 100 percent clean economy by 2050 and will soon oversee hearings in the Energy and Commerce Committee to develop comprehensive climate legislation to achieve this bold goal of net zero carbon pollution.

"I'm committed to achieving a 100% clean economy by 2050 so we can combat the climate crisis and protect our planet for future generations."

Stopping Bad Robocalls

In July, consumers received an estimated 21 million robocalls to the 732 area code alone. That's why Congressman Pallone introduced bipartisan legislation that would put an end to these annoying and often predatory phone calls. This bill would put consumers back in control, so that no one has to guess who is on the other line when the phone rings. In July, the House of Representatives passed Congressman Pallone's bill with strong bipartisan support.

"We're all fed up with robocalls. My bill will stop these abusive practices so we can pick up the phone again."

The fight to ban offshore drilling



Congressman Pallone holds a July press conference in Long Branch on his legislation to ban offshore drilling.

As a lifelong resident of the Jersey Shore, Congressman Pallone knows firsthand how important a clean and healthy ocean is to New Jersey's tourism economy, wildlife habitats and way of life. Congressman Pallone believes that any energy we harness off our coast should be from a clean, renewable source like offshore wind. Congressman Pallone is the author of the COAST Anti-Drilling Act to ban offshore drilling and in June, secured House passage of a bipartisan amendment that prohibits oil and gas leasing in the Atlantic Ocean.

Time to rebuild our crumbling infrastructure

We desperately need to rebuild and modernize our infrastructure. Efficient, state-of-the-art infrastructure can reduce our carbon footprint and create good paying jobs. Congressman Pallone introduced the LIFT America Act, which will help rebuild our country by expanding our economy, combating climate change, expanding broadband access, and protecting public health and the environment.



Congressman Pallone's April visit to the Foley CAT campus in Piscatway to discuss his infrastructure legislation.

The LIFT America Act provides \$33 billion for clean energy, including \$4 billion to upgrade the electric grid to accommodate more renewable energy. It also includes more than \$21 billion to protect Americans' drinking water from lead and other toxins, including a new program to directly assist communities affected by PFAS toxic chemicals. The LIFT America Act provides \$2.7 billion for brownfield redevelopment because Congressman Pallone knows we must protect New Jerseyans from toxins and renew our land for productive use while revitalizing communities and creating jobs.

Ending gun violence

Americans deserve to live in communities where they feel safe. Congressman Pallone supports legislation to ban assault weapons and voted to pass bills that would help put an end to this violent epidemic by strengthening background checks and closing gun sale loopholes. It's time to put an end to gun violence with commonsense legislation that will save lives.

2019 Achievements

- ✓ Sent 10 bills to the Senate to reduce drug prices, protect pre-existing conditions, and reverse ACA sabotage
- ✓ House passed the bipartisan Stopping Bad Robocalls Act
- ✓ Introduced comprehensive infrastructure legislation
- ✓ Introduced plan to achieve a 100% clean energy economy by 2050
- ✓ House passed the Climate Action Now Act to fight climate change
- ✓ Passed amendment to block offshore drilling in the Atlantic
- ✓ Introduced legislation to promote living shorelines
- ✓ Helped constituents recover \$427,974 from the federal government
- ✓ Responded to 15,130 constituent inquiries
- ✓ Resolved 742 constituent cases with federal agencies