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## CONGRESSWOMAN LAURA RICHARDSON OF CALIFORNIA

### STATEMENT BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

#### IN SUPPORT OF RICHARDSON AMENDMENTS 1-5 TO H.R. 4078 REGULATORY FREEZE FOR JOBS ACT OF 2012

July 23, 2012

- Chairman Dreier, Ranking Member Slaughter, and Members of the Committee on Rules:
- Thank you for allowing to me to speak in support of the RICHARDSON Amendments to H.R. 4078, the Regulatory Freeze for Jobs Act of 2012.
- The Richardson Amendments are common-sense amendments that ensure that the federal government can provide basic protections for its most vulnerable citizens.
- The amendments allow for the government to take significant regulatory action when the unemployment rate is

above six percent when those actions are intended for the following purposes:

- To protect senior citizens from abuse and neglect in nursing homes;
- To protect senior citizens facing foreclosure on their principle residence;
- To properly implement healthcare reform;
- To enforce the consumer protections promised under the Fair Credit Reporting Act; and
- To ensure that veterans receive their promised benefits.
- The purpose of H.R. 4078 is to boost the economy in times of high unemployment, and my amendments will inspire consumer confidence and protect vulnerable populations.
- I thank Chairman Dreier, Ranking Member Slaughter, and Members of the Rules Committee for allowing me to speak on my amendments to the Regulatory Freeze for Jobs Act.
- I urge the Rules Committee to make the Richardson Amendments in order. Thank you.