

Washington, D.C. - Congressman David Price (NC-04) issued the follow statement today following reports that the national economy created 162,000 jobs during the month of March.

"The new jobs number is the best we've had since November of 2007 and it shows the investments we've made through the Recovery Act and other initiatives are starting to get our economy back on the right track. There's still a long way to go, and that's why job creation will continue to be my top priority.

"Small businesses are the primary engines of job creation in this country, and getting them hiring again is essential to our recovery efforts. I recently voted for the HIRE Act, which is designed to do just that. The new law cuts taxes by \$15 billion for small businesses that hire additional works.

"The Recovery Act and the HIRE Act reflect what I think is the best way to move forward: a comprehensive, multi-pronged approach that creates jobs now, and invests in a strong foundation for a 21st Century economy."

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