

Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address August 31, 2012
“Labor Day”

Hello, this is your Congressman, Michael Burgess. This Monday, September 3, is Labor Day. Labor Day is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. Through the work of Americans, we continue to show strength and prosperity, and the well-being of our country. We truly do live in the greatest country on Earth.

Many are lucky to have jobs, and there are still millions of Americans without work. For the past 3 years, unemployment has been above eight-percent. You know, Bill Clinton, back in 1993, talked about being focused like a laser beam on the economy. But this administration has pushed an agenda that included a government takeover of the health care system, over \$800 billion in stimulus funding – both have discouraged job creation and have put our country in further into debt. More taxation, more regulation, more litigation – and we’ve not created more jobs.

The president showed that he is not concerned with policies that will put American’s back to work. Instead, he chose odd priorities. He wants to put illegal immigrants ahead of the rule of law, provide them with work permits. This was not only a poor decision, but one that will continue to block opportunities for American citizens to find employment.

Washington has tied the hands of small business owners and job creators. We need common sense, pro-growth policies to give small businesses and entrepreneurs renewed confidence in our economy and to remove Washington as the primary roadblock to job creation.

House Republicans have passed nearly 30 jobs bills that have yet to come up for a vote in the Senate – not to mention that same Senate hasn’t passed a budget in over a thousand days. I continue to encourage the Senate, and Senate leadership to take up these pieces of legislation. Let’s get Americans back to work and start to rebuild our fragile economy.

Thank you for taking the time to listen. For more information about this issue and other issues before the United States Congress, please visit my website at burgess.house.gov. May God bless you and your family, and as always, may God bless Texas.