Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address December 20, 2013 "Year End Accomplishments"

Hello this is your Congressman Michael Burgess. With the first session of the 113th Congress coming to a close, I wanted to say thank you for honor of serving you in the United States House of Representatives. Please know that I have always kept your comments in mind when voting on legislation and participating in Congressional hearings.

This year I became the newest member of the powerful House Rules Committee. The committee consists of 9 Republicans and 4 Democrats. It meets weekly to discuss the floor schedule and vote on bills for debate. As a member of this committee, I had a unique position to influence policy on every aspect of the House agenda. The issues included health care, energy, spending, national security, and intelligence. I participated in 56 Rules hearings this year.

As the Vice Chair of two Energy and Commerce Subcommittees, I participated in 70 hearings relating to health care and energy policy. Also, I cast 625 votes, Co-sponsored 163 bills, and sponsored 30 pieces of legislation. All of this was done to hold the administration accountable for their actions, hold the line on spending, and make our nation into a better country for our children and grandchildren.

While this year has presented challenges, progress has been made. Know that I am committed to a pro-growth, pro-job creation agenda that will put people back to work, focus on health care, cut the national debt, and get the economy growing again.

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