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RESPONSIBLE ELECTRONICS RECYCLING ACT ATTRACTS GROWING LIST OF CO-SPONSORS

13 Republicans, 5 Democrats sign on to support HR 2791

Washington, DC – Support continues to build for the Responsible Electronics Recycling Act (HR 2791) with the addition of new co-sponsors that brings the total to 18. The co-sponsors include two full committee chairs and seven subcommittee chairs, a strong sign that senior members of the House of Representatives are supporting this important legislation.

The new co-sponsors include:

- Rep. Susan W. Brooks (R-IN)
- Rep. C.A. Dutch Ruppersberger (D-MD)
- Rep. Dan Benishek (R-MI)
- Rep. Frederica Wilson (D-FL)
- Rep. Richard Nugent (R-FL)
- Rep. Blake Farenthold (R-TX)
- Rep. Bill Shuster (R-PA)
- Rep. Mark Amodei (R-NV)
- Rep. Chris Gibson (R-NY)
- Rep. Bill Huizenga (R-MI)
- Rep. Richard Hudson (R-NC)
- Rep. Jeff Denham (R-CA)

Introduced in July by Rep. Gene Green (D-TX), HR 2791's original support also included three Republican co-sponsors: Reps. Mike Coffman (R-CO), Steve Stivers (R-OH) and Mike McCaul (R-TX) in addition to Democrat Reps. and Mike Thompson (D-CA) and Louise Slaughter (D-NY).

The growing Congressional support reflects ongoing efforts by the Coalition to educate legislators through letters, plant tours and media related to the benefits of RERA. For instance, CAER hosted a Washington, DC Fly-In during November and had over 30 Congressional meetings with members and staff. In 2013 alone CAER has educated over 100 Congressional offices on the importance of supporting RERA.

"We have strong momentum as we head into 2014 as reflected in our growing support on both sides of the aisle," said Steve Skurnac, president of Sims Recycling Solutions and member of the CAER steering committee. "We are confident we will secure passage of this legislation that will create tens of thousands of good jobs, promote investment in our American industry, and help secure our national defense."

Since launching in November 2011, CAER has grown from 30 members to 129 companies and supporting organizations operating 282 facilities in 35 states as well as Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. Visit the CAER website for a complete [member list](#).

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