



I Wasn't Impressed

Dear Friend,

On Tuesday, I attended President Obama's State of the Union Address. I wasn't impressed. It was yet another speech loaded with more of the same rhetoric. The President likes to pass the blame for his stagnant economy onto House Republicans but we've passed dozens of jobs bills, all of which are stuck on Senator Reid's desk. If the President is serious about his so-called 'Year of Action', he can start by telling Senator Reid to pass those bills. On the heels of December's jobs report, which had the worst Labor Force Participation Rate since April 1978, Americans are looking for real solutions, not more empty promises.

WHERE ARE THE JOBS?

Over-regulation is stifling job creation in Arizona

End the War on Coal

Thin the forests

Reform grazing laws

Enact the Southeast AZ Land Exchange

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Furthermore, President Obama is once again promising to dictate his policy goals through executive fiat, circumventing Congress and the Constitution. Given the Administration's disregard for the rule of law and the Constitution, I can't say this is surprising. But it is certainly unacceptable. As a member of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, it's my responsibility to hold the federal government accountable and ensure the rule of law is upheld. I take that responsibility seriously and will continue to fulfill it. Click [HERE](#) to see my official statement.

We Are the Party of KNOW

The President likes to say Republicans are the party of "no." But, in actuality, Republicans are the party of KNOW. We know that ObamaCare is a disaster and we know we need patient-centered, free-market healthcare reform. Two of my colleagues in the GOP Doctors Caucus, Reps. Tom Price (GA-06) and Phil Roe (TN-01), and I filmed a video describing some of our alternatives to ObamaCare.

Click [HERE](#) or below to watch the video.



Mr. President, We're Watching You

On Thursday, I joined with Reps. Trent Franks and Matt Salmon in sending a [letter](#) to President Obama in which we informed him that his threats to ignore the Constitution's separation of powers are unacceptable, and that we will continue to watch him and the Administration to ensure our laws and Constitution are adhered to. Click [HERE](#) to read more. You can also read our letter to the President by clicking [HERE](#).

Then, on Friday, I announced my co-sponsorship of the Stop This Overreaching Presidency (STOP) Resolution (H.Res.442), which would direct the House of Representatives to compel the President, through legal action, to comply with the law.

The fact that we were forced to introduce legislation to judicially compel the President to comply with the laws of the land is incredibly sad. One expects imperial behavior in countries ruled by dictators but not in the United States of America, which was once known worldwide as a beacon of freedom and hope. From President Obama's capricious one-year delay in the ObamaCare employer mandate to his arbitrary decision to grant deferred removal action to illegal immigrants, his transgressions against the Constitution are egregious and must stop. Click [HERE](#) to read more.

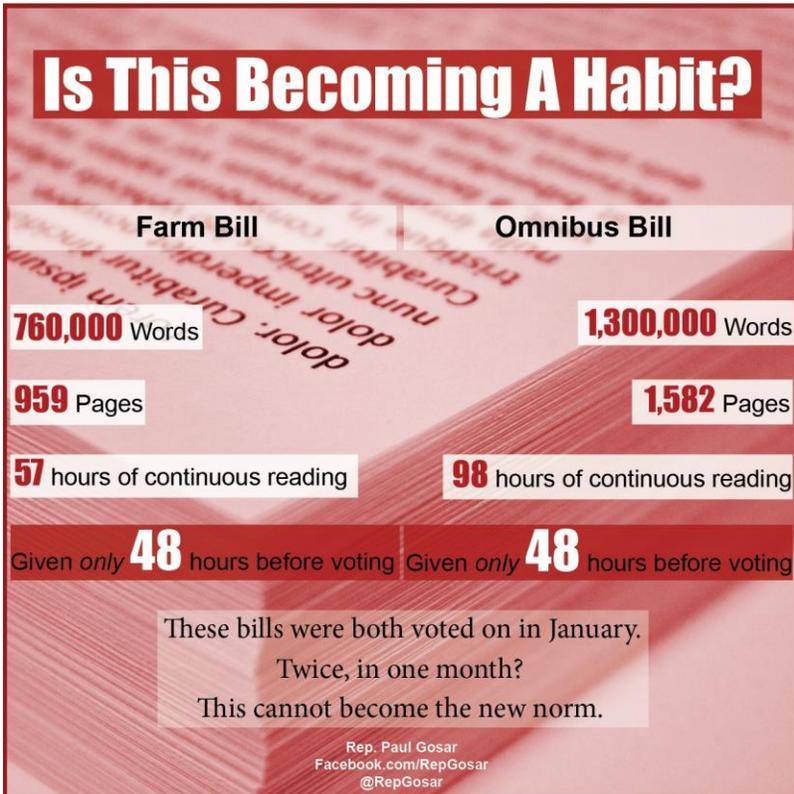
Is Justice Still Blind?

Holding the Administration accountable starts with Attorney General Eric Holder. From Fast & Furious to the AP scandal, his actions are unacceptable. Click [HERE](#) or below to watch a video questioning whether Mr. Holder has upheld his oath of office.



Demanding Better for Arizona and America

On Wednesday, I voted against the flawed Farm Bill (H.R.2642). This is the second bill this month that was brought to the House floor for a vote less than 48 hours after it was introduced. At 959 pages, this bill is too long for anyone to read and digest in such a short time frame. This is a negative pattern that can't become a habit. We must reverse this trend.



In addition to the limited time we were given for review, I voted against the Farm Bill because it's bad legislation. It continues the flawed practice of combining agricultural legislation with safety net programs like food stamps. These are two very different things that should be aired out and debated by the American people as separate issues.

Moreover, the bill didn't include a work requirement for food stamp benefits and most of the savings from the original House-passed Farm Bill evaporated in the final bill. The final bill was also stripped of important House-passed language modifying certain livestock regulations, which will have an overall negative impact on Arizona's livestock industry - a sizable component of our economy. Click [HERE](#) to read more.

Protecting the Unborn

On Tuesday, I voted in favor of the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act (H.R.7), which passed the House of Representatives by a bipartisan vote of 227-188. Legislation that permanently outlaws taxpayer-funded abortion is long overdue. Americans across the country worry that, if certain laws aren't reauthorized every year, their hard-earned money could be used to pay for the execution of unborn babies through abortion. This bill will finally make the temporary laws that prevent taxpayer-funded abortion permanent. I was proud to vote for this life-saving legislation. Click [HERE](#) to read more.

ObamaCare Maladay of the Week

72: the number of days, on average, it takes to see a doctor in Boston. Click [HERE](#) to read more.

Did You Know?

Yuma, AZ holds the Guinness World Record for the sunniest place on Earth. On average, it gets 4,055 hours of sunlight out of a possible 4,456 hours per year, or 91% of possible sunlight.



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As always, you can follow everything I am working on in Arizona and Washington, D.C. through my website (<http://gosar.house.gov>) on Twitter [@repgosar](#), or through [Facebook](#) at Representative Paul Gosar.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul A. Gosar". The signature is stylized and includes a small mark at the end.

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Member of Congress

