

Congressman Hanna votes to save taxpayers \$35 million

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Representative Richard Hanna (R,C,I-NY) this afternoon voted to cut five percent from Congress' budget to save American taxpayers more than \$35 million in the 2011 fiscal year.

Hanna voted to reduce his office budget by five percent, as well as cut the operating budgets of House committees, leadership offices and individual member offices.

“While \$35 million may not seem like a large sum in Washington, it is symbolic and proves Congress is willing to hold itself to a new standard,” Hanna said.

“I look forward to aggressively addressing our nation’s serious fiscal issues and today’s vote is the first of many cost savings I plan to support,” he added. “For too long Washington has enjoyed a culture of spending. I am committed to providing additional oversight and savings for the American people throughout the 112th Congress.”