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President

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Dear Congressman:

Competitive sourcing is vital to limiting the size of government. It allows the private sector to offer more cost-effective alternatives for those commercial jobs performed by bureaucrats. Just like in the real world, the highest-value service receives the contract. Regardless of whether the government continues to perform the service or a private company takes over, cost savings are achieved in the process and taxpayers can breathe a little easier.

Injecting free market forces into government services acts as a catalyst for cost reduction and more sensible government. ATR sees a direct correlation between an increase in competitive sourcing and a reduction of government expenditures and pressure for higher taxes. The same services that the government now provides will be done with greater quality, efficiency and (best of all) at a lower cost to the taxpayer.

ATR supports the passage of legislation that encourages competitive sourcing and opposes amendments and legislation that undermine it. We will key vote at least one competitive sourcing vote in our annual Congressional scorecard. Exposing and eliminating inefficient and ineffective government expenditures is your responsibility to the American taxpayer. Competitive sourcing is one of the best ways to protect taxpayers against government waste.

Sincerely,

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