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FLYNN OBJECTS TO STIMULUS FUNDS BEING USED TO CREATE JOBS IN CHINA

Austin, TX – State Rep. Dan Flynn today announced his opposition to the use of federal stimulus money to pay for turbines for a Texas wind farm that will be constructed in China. The venture, a collaboration between Texas-based Cielo Wind Power LP and China's Shenyang Power Group, has requested \$1.5 billion in stimulus funding to pay for the construction of 240 wind turbines by the Chinese company that will then be installed in West Texas.

“I am in favor of renewable sources of energy, such as wind power, and want to see the project in West Texas completed,” stated Rep. Flynn. “I have supported the development of more wind generation capacity in Texas and I am proud that our state has more installed wind capacity than any other state in the nation. However, I am strongly opposed to taxpayer-funded stimulus dollars being used to create jobs overseas. “

Rep. Flynn continued: “At a time when unemployment is in double digits across our country, those funds must be spent to create jobs at US-based manufacturers.”

Rep. Flynn added: “this project underscores the problems with a massive Washington D.C.-style, taxpayer-funded stimulus package. The stimulus placed considerable emphasis on domestic job creation, but there is little evidence that it has been successful. Using taxpayer dollars to create jobs in China will not help American workers. The stimulus package is off the mark and at a great expense to taxpayers.”

Rep. Flynn concluded: “I urge the Administration in Washington to reject this proposal and focus our energy on getting the economy moving through tax reduction and spending restraint.”

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