

**Washington, DC**— Representatives Rosa DeLauro (CT-3), John Larson (CT-1), Chris Van Hollen (MD-8), Joe Courtney (CT-2), and Peter Welch (D-VT), along with 72 of their colleagues in the House of Representatives, called today for the Republican leadership to support the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), which has oversight over the dangerous oil speculation that has driven up gas prices around the country, instead of bringing legislation to the House floor that would seriously restrict its funding.