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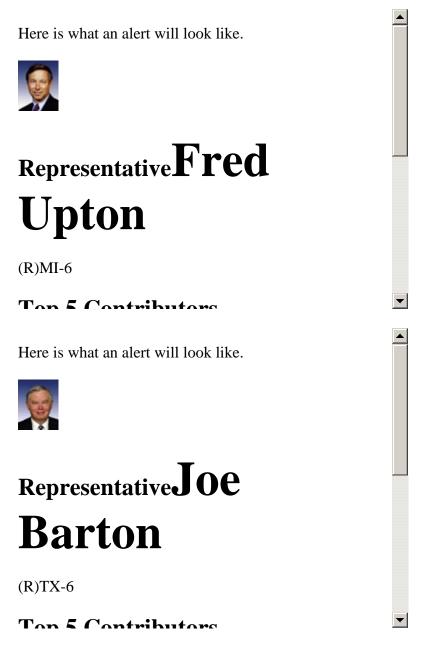
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Daily Disclosures

By <u>Bill Allison</u> on <u>11/09/10 @ 4:27 pm | 2 Comments</u> Tags: <u>Daily Disclosures</u>, <u>Inspectors General</u>, <u>Ocean Champions</u>, <u>Rep. Frank Kratovil</u>, <u>Rep. Fred</u> <u>Upton</u>, <u>Rep. Joe Barton</u>, <u>Rep.-elect Andy Harris</u>

A roundup of what we're noticing in the **<u>Reporting Group</u>** as we dig into government data and disclosures:

Today's Politiwidgets: The Hill <u>notes</u> this Washington Examiner <u>editorial</u> arguing against Rep. Fred Upton, D-Mich., ascending to the chairmanship of the Energy and Commerce Committee when the 112th Congress convenes next January, something that David Weigel, then writing for the Washington Post, <u>noted was likely</u> last June. Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas, who famously apologized to BP for the Obama administration's <u>"shakedown"</u> of the company in the wake of the Deepwater Horizon disaster, has seniority, but Republican rules limit the amount of time a member can chair a committee, and Barton's turn has expired. Here are the top donors to both Upton and Barton:



Signing sunlight: Jim Harper of <u>Washington Watch</u> and the Cato Institute <u>catalogs</u> President Barack Obama's track record of keeping bills online for five days before he signs them.

Help wanted: Here's a list of vacancies in inspector general offices throughout government.

Ocean's electioneering: Ocean Champions, a <u>501(c)4 advocacy organization</u> that also runs a connected <u>political action committee</u>, promotes national ocean policies that they say will benefit the earth's environment, and also endorses members of Congress. In 2010, they ran one <u>electioneering</u> <u>communication</u>, criticizing Andy Harris, who defeated Rep. Frank Kratovil, D-Md., in the Old Line State's first district. Donations for the ad–some \$150,000–came from a single donor, Anne Earhart of Laguna Beach, Calif.

The Daily Poligraft: The Financial Times reports that U.S. companies welcome power shift. Original

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