

Rep. Ron Kind: Joins new Democrat Coalition Colleagues in urging Department of Commerce to prioritize rural America with supply chain and innovation investments

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Washington, DC – Today, **Rep. Ron Kind** joined fellow members of the New Democrat Coalition Rural Reinvestment Task Force in urging the Department of Commerce to ensure rural America is a top priority when distributing funds and resources made available in the bipartisan innovation legislation.

The lawmakers are continuing to push for swift action on a final bipartisan innovation bill that will bolster supply chains, spur innovation, invest in research, and strengthen American leadership while also advocating for rural communities to benefit from programs in this legislation.

“When resources are made available through our bipartisan innovation legislation, we need to ensure everyone has access to the opportunities and economic benefits regardless of their zip code,” said **Rep. Ron Kind**. “I’ll keep working to make sure our rural communities are top of mind and prioritized in these investments.”

The letter reads in part,

“The bipartisan innovation legislation will promote American global leadership, security, and competitiveness; counter the influence and market abuses of adversarial powers; grow our economy, create jobs, and help ease long-term inflationary pressures; strengthen and diversify our global and domestic supply

chains; boost production of American-made semiconductors; and usher in the next generation of breakthrough research and technology. To ensure we can unlock the full potential of every community in America toward these goals, we must invest in and leverage the talent and potential of rural America.”

Read the full letter [here](#).