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Senator Tom Harkin today joined his colleagues on the Senate Appropriations Committee in unveiling a job creation measure to spur the nation's flailing economy. The bill is expected to be marked up by Senate Appropriations Committee tomorrow with hopes of reaching the President's desk by early February. Harkin is Chairman of the Appropriations

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"...I included \$79 million to repair and renovate our public schools with a priority given to green projects. My colleagues and I also included \$46 million for the renovation of higher education facilities and for equipment."

"A portion of these funds are reserved for community colleges, bearing in mind that it is the community colleges that often train workers for the jobs that will be become available in our new economy," said Harkin. "We need to make sure that they have the equipment and facilities to train tomorrow's workforce."

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