

U.S.SENATOR

**Debbie STABENOW**

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## **Detroit Free Press Endorses Stabenow**

### **Highlights Senator's Record of Results and Command of the Issues**

**Lansing**—Today, Senator Debbie Stabenow received the endorsement of Michigan's largest newspaper, the Detroit Free Press, for her re-election to the United States Senate. This is the fifth newspaper publication to endorse Senator Stabenow.

In their endorsement, the Detroit Free Press stated that Senator Stabenow "is one of the few politicians who will declare with no equivocation that health care should be a right, not a privilege in this country. She voted against going to war in Iraq, a tough decision that looks wise today," said the Detroit Free Press. "And Stabenow bypassed the frustrating corridors of power in Washington to help forge an agreement that will stop at least some of those Canadian trash trucks from rumbling into Michigan every hour."

The Detroit Free Press highlights Senator Stabenow's "encyclopedic knowledge of health care, which is a huge issue for Michigan" and mentions that Bouchard is not "as well-studied on the economy, Social Security, trade policy, and the Great Lakes" as Stabenow.

Moreover, the Detroit Free Press criticized Bouchard for mischaracterizing Senator Stabenow's record. The Free Press claims that Bouchard shows a lack of understanding of how things get done in the U.S. Senate. "Good legislators get bills amended and affect policy without worrying about whose name is on the end product; that's how Stabenow managed to pass tax relief for manufacturers who create jobs in the U.S.," said the Detroit Free Press.

In the end, there existed "a key difference between the two." Bouchard's approach to the job "can work well for an executive official at the local level. But it's not exactly visionary or likely effective in the U.S. Senate," said the Detroit Free Press. "After one term, Stabenow has learned to work the levers well enough to be elected secretary of the Senate Democrats, the third-ranking position in the party caucus. Her colleagues must think she knows how to get things done."

"I am very proud to have the endorsement of the Detroit Free Press and the support of people across Michigan" said Stabenow. "There is a clear choice in this election and the people of Michigan know what is at stake. I am fighting and delivering results for Michigan workers and their families everyday."

Click here for the Detroit Free Press endorsement:

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