WASHINGTON – Congressman John B. Larson (CT-01) released the following statement today on the June jobs report:

"Republican leaders think we can cut our way to prosperity. As a result, it's now been half a year and the Congress hasn't been allowed to focus on a single jobs bill. Today's job numbers show the effect of that on our nation. Corporate profits have fully recovered, but jobs have not.

"We all know that we have to get our deficit under control. But the best way to do that is to get Americans working again. That's why Democrats believe we need to be making smart, long term investments in America and Americans. Our Make it in America plan does that – from job training to infrastructure development to the NAT GAS bill that would get us off foreign oil, Democrats want to get America working again.

"It's time for Republicans in Congress to stop working to tie Congress in knots and start working with us to put America back to work.