WASHINGTON – Congressman John B. Larson (CT-01), the House sponsor of the American Jobs Act, released the following statement after Senate Republicans unanimously blocked the Senate from moving forward with the bill today:

"A majority of the Senate has spoken, yet no action will be taken because of a broken system.

"What mystifies the nation is that 51 Senators can favor putting 14 million Americans back to work and, because of an arcane rule, be blocked from even considering the bill to do that.

"That’s part of what's wrong in Congress and why people will continue to take to the streets over Congress's inability to meet their needs. They simply can’t understand why the will of the people cannot be served.

"I hope this vote sheds light on a process that is totally out of touch with American's needs."