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WASHINGTON, D.C.- U.S. Congressman John B. Larson (CT-1) was today named to the House Ways and Means Committee by the Democratic Caucus. The Ways and Means Committee has jurisdiction over legislation relating to tax law, Social Security, Medicare, public assistance and trade issues.

"I am proud to name John Larson to the House Ways and Means Committee," House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi said. "John is a talented and extremely effective Member of Congress, and he will make a substantial impact on this critical Committee. As a strong advocate for seniors, his work on the Committee this session will be critical to protecting and strengthening Social Security for seniors and future generations."

"I am honored and grateful that Mrs. Pelosi, Congressman Rangel and my colleagues have given me the opportunity to serve on this key committee," said Larson. "Ways and Means obviously oversees major legislative areas that are of the utmost importance to the nation and to Connecticut. This is something of a tradition for Connecticut's First Congressional District as my two immediate predecessors - Barbara Kennelly and William Cotter - also held this seat. I will certainly work hard to continue their tradition of dedicated service and look forward to working with my good friend and colleague from Connecticut, Nancy Johnson and Ranking Member Rangel and other members of the committee."

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