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(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – U.S. Congressman Jason Altmire (PA-04) today welcomed the Senate's passage of the Small Business Paperwork Mandate Elimination Act (H.R. 4). This legislation will eliminate the health care reform law's requirement that businesses file a 1099 tax form for every business from which they have purchased more than $600 in goods and services in a single year. Congressman Altmire is a cosponsor of H.R. 4, which passed the House in March with bipartisan support. This is the first piece of legislation to be signed into law that repeals a part of the health care reform law enacted last year.

"I have been a strong advocate for legislation to repeal the 1099 tax-reporting requirements because I want local businesses to be able to focus their efforts on creating jobs, not filling out unnecessary paperwork," Congressman Altmire said. "I urge the president to sign this legislation into law as soon as possible so that we can stop this misguided policy from taking effect next year."