

Outstanding Advocates

Representative Abigail Spanberger Working to Remove Barriers to Entry



U.S. Representative Abigail Spanberger is proud to represent the people of Virginia's Seventh Congressional District in the U.S. House.

First elected to the U.S. House in 2018, Spanberger serves on the U.S. House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and U.S. House Agriculture Committee. She is also a member of the bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus.

Spanberger has consistently worked to address the trucking workforce shortage in Virginia and across the country — as well as support current drivers. She introduced a bipartisan bill to cut red tape for veterans looking to use their GI benefits to pay for commercial driver's license (CDL) education programs. Currently, if an approved trucking school opens a secondary facility in a new location, existing laws require the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and state regulators to deny the branch's ability to receive GI benefits for two years. Spanberger's *Veteran Improvement Commercial Driver License Act* would exempt new branches of established commercial driver-training facilities from this waiting period. This bill would allow veterans more accessibility to nearby CDL schools and lead to high-paying careers in the industry.

Spanberger is also establishing a refundable income tax credit for qualified commercial truck drivers through the bipartisan *Strengthening Supply Chains Through Truck Drivers Incentives Act*. This act would provide a short-term, fast, and straightforward incentive to attract and retain new drivers. This bill would create a two-year refundable tax credit of up to \$7,500 for truck drivers holding a valid Class A commercial driver's license (CDL) who drive at least 1,900 hours in the year. Additionally, it would help get more Americans on the road by establishing new incentives for



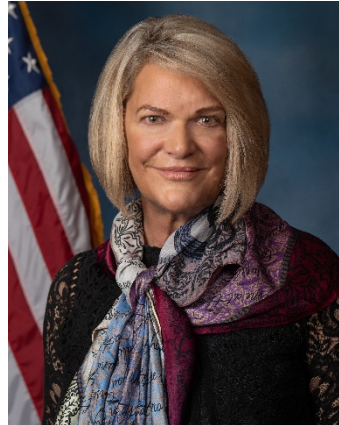
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Americans to enter registered truck apprenticeships through a refundable tax credit of up to \$10,000. It will also allow new truck drivers to be eligible for the credit if they did not drive a commercial truck in the previous year or drive for at least 1,420 hours in the current year.

Spanberger grew up in Virginia. She earned her B.A. at the University of Virginia and her MBA through a dual degree program between Purdue University's Krannert School and the GISMA Business School in Hanover, Germany. She speaks English, Spanish, German, and French.

Spanberger and her husband Adam have three school-aged children.

Senator Cynthia Lummis Truck Parking Advocate



Cynthia Lummis was sworn into the United States Senate on January 3, 2021, becoming the first woman to serve as United States Senator from the great State of Wyoming.

Lummis serves on the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works, working to protect Wyoming's energy and natural resources. She also serves on the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation, addressing transportation needs for small businesses and communities across Wyoming. Additionally, serving on the U.S. Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Development to ensure safe and vibrant financial markets.

Lummis is committed to ensuring proper updates to our aging national infrastructure. She works actively to represent the transportation needs of rural Americans on any infrastructure related legislation that Congress considers. Lummis introduced the bipartisan *Truck Parking Safety Improvement Act* to create a short-term authorization of funds to increase truck parking capacity and to improve existing truck parking infrastructure.

Prior to serving in the House of Representatives, Senator Lummis spent eight years as Wyoming State Treasurer and 14 years as a member of the Wyoming State House and Senate. She also worked as general counsel to Wyoming Governor Jim Geringer and Director of the Office of State Lands and Investments, as well as a law clerk at the Wyoming Supreme Court.

After departing U.S. House of Representatives in 2016, Senator Lummis operated her family's cattle ranches and the Sweetgrass development in Laramie County, with her brother and sister. She is a three-time graduate of the University of Wyoming in animal science, biology and law. She and her late-husband, Al Wiederspahn, have one daughter, Annaliese, son-in-law Will Cole and grandsons Gus, Al and Bennett.

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik
**Supporting Female Entrepreneurship with Her Support of the
Independent Contractor Business Model**



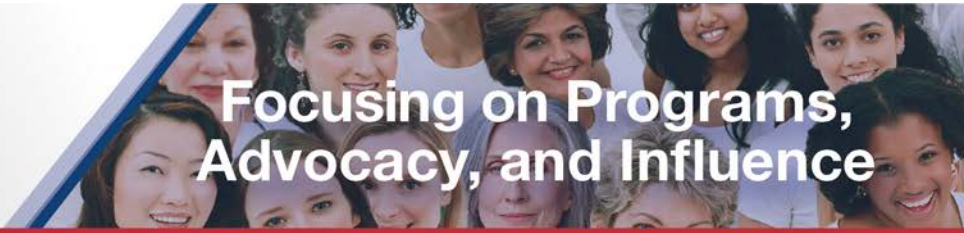
Congresswoman Elise Stefanik proudly represents New York's 21st District in the House of Representatives in her fourth term in office.

In May 2021, Congresswoman Stefanik was elected by her colleagues to serve in House Leadership as Chair of the House Republican Conference.

Stefanik is a member of the House Armed Services Committee, the Committee on Education and Labor, and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. On the Armed Services Committee, Congresswoman Stefanik serves on the new Subcommittee on Cyber, Innovative Technologies, and Information Systems, and as a member of the subcommittee on Strategic Forces. On the Committee on Education and Labor, she serves on the Higher Education and Workforce Investment, and Workforce Protections Subcommittees.

Stefanik was born and raised in Upstate New York. Prior to serving in Congress, she worked at her family's small business. Her upbringing taught her the hard work and perseverance necessary to build, operate and grow small businesses in the North Country. Stefanik continues to advocate for lowering taxes and fundamental tax reform in Washington and Albany to create a flatter, fairer system to increase opportunity for families, business owners, workers, and entrepreneurs. As a member of the Education and Labor Committee, Stefanik has fought hard to encourage and improve vocational education programs, workforce development, and apprenticeships.

Stefanik graduated with Honors from Harvard University, as the first member of her immediate family to receive a college degree. Elise's family has owned a home on Lake Champlain in Essex



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County for over 30 years. Elise lives in Schuylerville with her husband Matt and their newborn son Sam.