

## Freshman highlight: Trade



**Rep.-elect Joe Cunningham (D-SC-01)**

### Background

- Announced that he will introduce a bill to constrain the president's authority to unilaterally impose Sect. 232 tariffs; it would be similar to the bipartisan legislation introduced earlier this year, which gives Congress the authority to roll back tariffs



**Rep.-elect Jared Golden (D-ME-02)**

### Background

- Campaigned on promoting trade policies that benefit the middle- and working-class, and prioritize higher wages, safer work and stricter environmental standards
- Wrote an opinion piece on how harmful trade policies have impacted Maine's forest product industry. He also lauded Trump's lumber duties for creating jobs in Maine's sawmills



**Rep.-elect Anthony Gonzalaz (R-OH-16)**

### Background

- Campaigned on the importance of enforcing fair trade and reducing the US's trade deficits with other countries
- Also campaigned on addressing China's forced intellectual property transfer and currency manipulation
- Applauded President Trump's work on USMCA, the new North American trade pact

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*Many incredible companies... employ tens of thousands of Lowcountry residents. However, all of those jobs are at risk now because of this administration's unnecessary job-killing tariffs”*

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*[As] a member of Congress, I will work to improve and strengthen initiatives like this to better improve our sawmills, our markets for Maine wood and the rural Maine economy”*

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*It is hard to overstate the threat that China poses to our future. They used lopsided trade deals to take our jobs and create immense wealth”*

Sources: Patrick Phillips, “Cunningham to seek rollback of Trump tariffs,” WCSC News, Nov. 19, 2018; Jared Golden, “Tougher trade policies can give Maine's sawmills a chance to thrive,” Bangor Daily News, Oct. 23, 2018; Joe Cunningham for Congress campaign website; Twitter; Marathon Strategies, “Meet the Freshman: A Guide to the New House Members of the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress,” 2018.