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**Subject: Congressional Race in New Jersey's 2nd CD Will Be Competitive;
Congressional Republicans' Proposed Tax Plan Largely Unpopular**

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A new Public Policy Polling survey finds that the tax plan proposed by Congressional Republicans is deeply unpopular, and the Congressional seat in New Jersey 2nd Congressional District is looking to be quite competitive. Ahead of the 2018 election, a Democratic candidate is leading in a hypothetical election matchup between a Democratic candidate (44%) and a Republican candidate (39%) in New Jersey's 2nd Congressional District. Candidates should be aware that the tax plan proposed by Congressional Republicans is very unpopular in this district. Despite the fact that he is not running for re-election, the current Member of Congress, Frank LoBiondo, should be open to persuasion on the Republican tax reform plan, especially if he is listening to his constituents who are not in favor of this plan and its provisions.

	Support	Oppose
Congressional Republican Tax Proposal	34%	53%
Tax Plan Provision: Wealthy Tax Cut	21%	72%
Tax Plan Provision: Increasing the Deficit	18%	69%

***Exact language for the questions on the proposed tax plan and its provisions:**

- **Congressional Republican Tax Proposal:** *"Based on what you know right now, would you say you support or oppose the Republicans in Congress' tax proposal, or have you not heard anything about it?"*
- **Tax Plan Provision: Wealthy Tax Cut:** *"Over 80% of the tax cuts go to the top 1% -- those with incomes of over \$430,000 a year."*
- **Tax Plan Provision: Increasing the Deficit:** *"The tax plan would increase the deficit by \$1.5 trillion over the next ten years."*

PPP surveyed 565 NJ-2 voters from November 8-10, 2017. The margin of error is +/- 4.1%. This poll was conducted by automated telephone interviews.

