

Make It In America in the News



Roll Call

"Speaking at the newly renovated Foundry — a 'maker space' catering to entrepreneurs in need of a little help — Hoyer suggested building more tech assistance -- including crowd funding for start-ups -- into the original plans... The four planks of the retooled program include: fostering entrepreneurship and innovation, investing in workforce training, bolstering basic infrastructure (roads, utilities) as well as technological assets (electrical grid, broadband service) and revitalizing domestic manufacturing."

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"The Foundry, Baltimore's newest makerspace, could be the key to encouraging companies to make their products in the U.S. instead of overseas, U.S. Rep. Steny Hoyer said Monday in Baltimore... Hoyer, Democratic House Whip, visited the Foundry's new space at Sagamore Venture's City Garage in Port Covington, praising it as an example of the future for American manufacturing... Hoyer said he sees the Foundry as a place where inventors can turn their ideas into entrepreneurship."



"The Maryland Congressman said 17 [Make It In America] related bills were signed into law [since 2010], with many of the efforts geared toward addressing the country's economic recession... Last year, the leaders realized they needed tech in the conversation, so they held hearings on the on-demand economy, IoT and crowdfunding... Hoyer discussed how elements of City Garage and Under Armour's wider vision for Port Covington reflect the plan. The Foundry's membership model and open classes are designed to be a place to bring new ideas to fruition."

Capital Gazette

"As part of his 'Make it in America' legislative effort, Rep. Steny Hoyer on Monday outlined his plans to revitalize the manufacturing industry in Baltimore... Hoyer's plan... focused on advocacy for more education and workforce training, tax incentives for entrepreneurs and assistance for start-up companies."

Office of Democratic Whip Steny H. Hoyer



"Hoyer, in a speech on Monday during the ceremonial opening of The Foundry, a maker space in Baltimore's Port Covington, portrayed the House Democrats' 'Make it in America' plan as a bipartisan approach to encourage manufacturing and create more jobs in the United States... It aims to enact policies supporters say will encourage entrepreneurship, close the skills gap among American workers and break down barriers to manufacturing in the country."

THE BALTIMORE SUN

"The reality of U.S. manufacturing is, however, quite different: Job openings in the sector are at a 15-year high, and layoffs are down significantly. Manufacturing is, for lack of a better description, booming. That's why Rep. Steny Hoyer's call for a bipartisan approach to encourage further growth in U.S. manufacturing is right on point... Now is exactly the time for Congress to make an investment in future jobs... Greater government investment in technical training programs to cultivate the next generation not only of scientists and engineers but entry-level shop workers in advanced manufacturing ought to be of the highest priority in Washington and in state capitals."



"It's called a maker space, and what that does is give you the opportunity to bring your ideas together with your skills.... Maryland Congressman Steny Hoyer's office reports since 2010, Make It In America has seen laws passed to cut taxes and provide loans for small businesses, to speed up the patent process, to train skilled workers, and end tax loopholes that encourage companies to shift jobs overseas."



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"There was a grand opening in Baltimore today for the Foundry.... It's a place where people with ideas come together with resources to make them happen. The Foundry is what House Democrats are pushing for in an updated version of their Make It In America plan."