

REP. TAYLOR COMMENTS ON OFFICIALS' FINDINGS ON FORMALDEHYDE IN FEMA TRAILERS

FEMA should have addressed concerns in the beginning

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Rep. Gene Taylor released a statement today about the recent findings by federal health officials that confirm toxic levels of formaldehyde in FEMA trailers and suggest occupants be moved immediately.

"FEMA first received complaints about health problems and high formaldehyde levels nearly two years ago," Rep. Taylor said. "If FEMA would have taken the complaints seriously from the very beginning, this issue could have been resolved already. I requested that FEMA and the Center for Disease Control conduct a detailed study a year ago, and the results are just being released today. They must now act swiftly to find adequate housing for those living in trailers across Mississippi and Louisiana, instead of at the pace they moved when first receiving complaints."