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**KENNEDY ON DECLINING JOB NUMBERS**

WASHINGTON, DC— Today's jobs numbers show a loss of 63,000 jobs. Senator Edward M. Kennedy issued the following statement:

"The bad economic news continues to mount. Today's job losses—the worst in five years—emphasize the urgent need for more effective action. Extending and improving unemployment benefits is the best way to bring immediate help to the millions who are out of work and provide a much-needed jump-start to our economy. Congress should have included this support in the recent stimulus law, and we should correct that mistake as soon as possible."

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