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SENATOR QUINN HEADED TO WASHINGTON, DC TO SEEK RELIEF FOR CHINESE DRYWALL VICTIMS

WILL MEET WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND FEDERAL AUTHORITIES

District 6 State Senator Julie Quinn (R-Metairie) is headed to Washington, DC, in an effort to get help for homeowners affected by toxic Chinese drywall. Senator Quinn is meeting personally with members of Congress as well as federal trade and consumer protection experts to urge swift action to help victims of the dangerous product that is affecting thousands of Louisiana homeowners. Paul Rainwater, Director of the Louisiana Recovery Authority, will be accompanying Senator Quinn to the meetings.

"I look forward to meeting with federal authorities and members of Congress to educate them on the severity of the problem we face here in Louisiana," said Senator Quinn. "I will ask for the quick approval of \$25 million in funds that are available for remediation of the drywall problem as well as encourage legislative and regulatory actions that will provide the necessary relief and prevent such problems in the future."

Senator Quinn says that it's particularly important to encourage Congress to pass legislation that will hold foreign companies liable for dangerous products. To that end, she will meet with U.S. Senators Sheldon Whitehouse and Jeff Session who, as a result of the Chinese drywall issue, have proposed legislation that will require foreign manufacturers to provide a domestic agent in an effort to hold them accountable.

In addition to meeting with members of the Louisiana Congressional delegation, Senator Quinn will meet with experts from the Federal Trade Commission. She says that she will continue to work with federal and state authorities to find ways to help Louisiana homeowners.

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