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Stockton College/Zogby Poll Shows Two Incumbent South Jersey Congressmen Lead Challengers

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Galloway Township, NJ- Incumbent Republican Congressman Frank LoBiondo and Incumbent Democratic Congressman Robert Andrews are both holding comfortable leads a week before the election, according to the Richard Stockton College/Zogby Poll commissioned by the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy.

Second District Congressman LoBiondo has the support of 57 percent of likely voters against Democratic challenger Gary Stein with 20 percent of the vote. LoBiondo is down two percentage points from the September 21-23 poll and Stein is down five percentage points from the same poll. Undecided voters actually increased over the month from 13 percent to 20 percent.

First District Congressman Robert Andrews has a lead in his district race where he leads 63 percent 22 percent over his Republican challenger Dale Glading. Both Andrews and Glading saw their numbers move from the September poll where Andrews went from 59 percent to 63 percent and Glading went from 24 percent to 22 percent.

The Third Congressional District contest between Incumbent Democrat John Adler and Republican Challenger John Runyan is in a statistical tie with Runyan leading Adler by three points, 40 percent to 37 percent.

Despite the potential upheaval in elections across the country, South Jersey's three congressional districts are actually following traditional voting patterns. Longtime incumbents, Congressman LoBiondo and Andrews, look likely to be returned to Congress by voters in what are considered safe districts. First term Congressman John Adler, in a traditionally Republican district, finds himself in a toss-up race as he tries for his second term in the House of Representatives, explained Sharon Schulman, executive director of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey.

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