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ADVOCACY ALERT



Dear Mary,

Today President Obama released his budget – and put your Social Security benefits on the chopping block.

No recent president – Republican or Democrat – has tried to **cut Social Security benefits** to reduce the deficit. But now our president is pushing hard to do exactly that through a cost-of-living-adjustment (COLA) cut known as the "chained CPI."

The President's plan is now in the hands of Congress. **If it passes, millions of Americans will see their hard-earned benefits slashed.** **It's imperative that you make your voice heard right now.**

Call 1-877-267-5060 to tell your Senators to reject the Social Security cuts in Obama's budget!

If the president's proposal becomes reality and the chained CPI takes effect, seniors across the country will feel its sting. The average senior will **lose over \$2,000 in Social Security benefits** in the next ten years alone.

Obama just released his budget deal – and it includes big cuts to your hard-earned benefits.

Call 1-877-267-5060 today and tell your Senators to reject the Social Security cuts in Obama's budget –then let us know how it went!

Your Senators need to hear from you today – and it's quick and easy to make your call. Here's what to do:

1. Dial **1-877-267-5060**, and follow the prompts to enter your ZIP code. Then press "1" to connect to your first Senator.
2. A staff person will answer the phone. Just tell that person where you're calling from, and that you strongly urge your senator to say NO to the Social Security cuts in Obama's budget. Your call could end here. However, if you like, you can add that:
 - I earned my Social Security through a lifetime of hard work.
 - Social Security is a self-financed program and should be left out of the deficit debate.
 - Chained CPI hurts your constituents and would make it harder for seniors and millions of Americans to make ends meet. I urge you to say no to these harmful cuts.
3. Since both of your Senators have a say in this debate, **please call 1-877-267-5060 again to get connected to your second senator's office**. Once again enter your ZIP code, and then press "2" to be connected with your second Senator.
4. Once you've ended your calls, [click here to tell us how it went!](#)

Thanks for all you do to keep these hard-earned benefits strong for today's seniors and for future generations.

Sincerely,

Fred Griesbach
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