

## **UPDATES**



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## **Robbing Workers, Rewarding Billionaires**

On May 22, 2025, a harmful budget passed the U.S. House of Representatives by a vote of 215 to 214.

The measure gives huge tax breaks to billionaires and big corporations – and makes working families pay the price. According to the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), it would reduce income for the poorest 10 percent of U.S. households while boosting income for the top 10 percent.

Here's what it would do:

- Strip health care from 13.7 million workers by cutting Medicaid and other essential programs working families rely on. These cuts wouldn't just take away coverage they'd eliminate the funding that keeps hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes open and defund the implementation of the safe staffing rule for nursing homes. As a result, nearly 450,000 caregiving jobs, including thousands of USW-represented positions, would be wiped out in 2026 alone.
- Kill as many as 830,000 good jobs, mostly in construction and manufacturing, by canceling job-creating tax credits and threatening hundreds of billions in private investment tied to infrastructure, clean energy, and manufacturing projects. That means fewer orders, plant shutdowns, lost job opportunities, and whole communities left without the projects they were promised.
- Cut more than 140,000 jobs in food processing, school cafeterias, retail, and agriculture by slashing \$300 billion from SNAP food assistance a program 42 million Americans count on every month. That's fewer hours and jobs in grocery stores and food warehouses, lost business for farmers and processors, and hungry families with nowhere to turn.
- Add \$3.8 trillion to the national debt, leading to higher mortgage rates, credit card interest, car loans, and small business financing. Working-class households already struggling with rising prices would be asked to pay more, while the wealthiest few walk away with massive tax breaks.

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The bill now moves to the U.S. Senate, where it will be debated and likely face substantial changes.

Stay tuned for updates, and be ready to make your voice heard.