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Pelosi Statement on the Coburn-Lieberman Medicare Proposal

Washington, D.C. – Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi released the following statement today after Senators Tom Coburn and Joe Lieberman proposed a plan to raise the retirement age for Medicare beneficiaries:

"Any changes to Medicare must strengthen the Medicare system and improve the health of our seniors.

"It is unfair to ask seniors to get less in benefits and wait longer to get onto Medicare – all while Republicans back tax breaks for Big Oil and corporations that ship American jobs overseas.

"Just like the Republican plan to end Medicare, this proposal is unacceptable, especially for struggling middle-class Americans."

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