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## LEGISLATIVE ALERT

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Dear Senator:

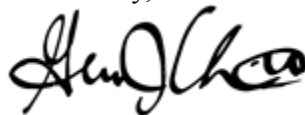
On behalf of the AFL-CIO, I am writing to express our strong opposition to the Senate FY 2025 Budget Resolution (S. Con. Res. 7) scheduled for floor consideration this week. S. Con. Res. 7 is apparently the first step in a two-step process designed to advance trillions in tax cuts for the uber rich and massive corporations.

The FY 2025 Budget Resolution instructs authorizing committees to increase spending on certain immigration, energy, and defense matters and then paves the way for tax cuts that will, once again, disproportionately benefit the very rich. It assumes \$1 trillion in unspecified cuts to programs in 2025 and \$9 trillion in cuts over 10 years to pay for this massive tax giveaway to the already-wealthy.

This budget plan promises to make life harder for millions of working people. To pay for tax cuts for the rich, spending cuts would target families relying on Medicaid for health care or for caring for elderly parents. The cuts would threaten to shutter hospitals and community health centers. They would take meals away from children. They would raise the costs of higher education. On top of making life more expensive for millions of people, the cuts would also threaten employment, in health care, agricultural and grocery sectors, state and local government, and elsewhere. Shifts in tax policy called for by this resolution could put at risk hundreds of thousands of jobs across the country in energy, manufacturing, and other sectors. Moreover, recent economic analysis shows that this plan for extending tax cuts for the rich on the backs of working families promises to drag down economic growth for years to come.<sup>1</sup>

Working families must not be stuck, again, with the bill for trillions of dollars in tax giveaways for billionaires and big corporations. We urge you to vote against FY 2025 Budget Budget Resolution (S. Con. Res. 7) and instead pursue a budget that supports working people and their families.

Sincerely,



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<sup>1</sup> See Josh Bivens, "There will be pain," Economic Policy Institute (February 13, 2025), at <https://www.epi.org/publication/tcja-extensions-2025/>