A Bipartisan Plan to Save Medicare & Reduce Debt

The Lieberman/Coburn Proposal

Summary of Savings:

Benefit Restructure and Medigap Reform:	$130 billion*
Raise Eligibility Age:	$124 billion**
Increase Part B Premiums for Enrollees to 35%:	$241 billion**
Increase Part D Premiums for Enrollees to 35%:	$26 billion****
Phase Out Payments for Bad Hospital Debts:	$25 billion**
Three Year SGR Patch:	($38 billion)**
Increase Savings in Home Health:	$9 billion*
Means-Test Medicare Part B and D:	$19 billion****
Increase Out-of-Pocket Limit for Wealthy Seniors:	$10****
Total Savings:	Estimated $600+ Billion

*According to the President's Bipartisan Fiscal Commission.

**According to past CBO estimates.

***We would redirect half of that savings in the first 10 years to the Medicare Part A Trust Fund to extend the solvency of the Medicare Part A program. The remainder of the savings would be used for deficit reduction.

****Based on Coburn's Office analysis using CBO and CMS data updated for projected budget windows.