

WisDems: MAGA Republicans' funding bills would be catastrophic for Wisconsinites

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MADISON, Wis. — This week, MAGA Republicans in Congress proposed extreme budget cuts that would raise costs, slash support for law enforcement, and undermine our economy — all while these same members are separately fighting for new tax cuts for multi-millionaires and the largest corporations. In response, Democratic Party of Wisconsin spokesperson Haley McCoy released the following statement:

“Earlier this year, President Biden worked across the aisle to secure a bipartisan budget agreement that would result in \$1 trillion of deficit reduction over the next decade while continuing to build on the economic progress we’ve seen: rising wages, falling unemployment, and costs coming down. Yet instead of making good on that agreement, MAGA Republicans in Congress are trying to push forward a new proposal that would raise costs for families, undermine our economic growth, and make Americans less safe—all while giving more handouts to their wealthy donors and big corporations. Wisconsinites deserve better.”

Here’s how House Republicans’ cuts would hurt hardworking Wisconsinites:

- **House Republicans’ plan would give more tax handouts to the ultra-wealthy and big corporations while adding billions to the deficit:** House Republicans would [add at least \\$100 billion to deficits](#) over 10 years by making it easier for the wealthy and big corporations to cheat on their taxes, while separately pushing corporate tax giveaways that would cost over \$500 billion if made permanent — including at least \$30 billion in retroactive

tax breaks for investments companies made last year.

- **Instead of working to make our communities safer, House Republicans' plan would slash funding for law enforcement:** The proposed cut to the FBI would eliminate [up to 1,850](#) personnel, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives would be forced to eliminate approximately 400 positions, including more than 200 agents.
- **House Republicans' plan would slash funding for schools, taking children and teachers out of classrooms in the process:** House Republicans' funding bills would impact [388,200](#) students in schools that teach low income students by forcing a reduction of up to [3,100](#) teachers, aides or other key staff. House Republicans' cut to Head Start would mean [over 800](#) children in Wisconsin would lose access to high-quality preschool — undermining their education, leaving fewer children prepared to enter kindergarten ready to learn, and making it more difficult for parents to join the workforce.
- **House Republicans' plan would significantly degrade Medicare services, forcing Wisconsin seniors and people with disabilities to wait longer for support:** The House Republicans' cut to the administration of the Medicare program would force roughly [1,269,000](#) seniors and people with disabilities in Wisconsin to endure longer wait times when they call the Medicare call center, potentially increasing average wait times from five to more than nine minutes. And it would limit the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' ability to oversee the safety of Wisconsin nursing homes, reducing inspections by at least 10 percent.