



Democrats' Radical FY 2022 Spending Spree *Education and Labor Provision Lowlights*

Education Provisions:

Early Education

- **Subsidizes wealthy families' child care.** Democrats are spending over \$400 billion to provide child care to wealthy families. The child care and universal preschool programs are duplicative, burdensome, and will push small, private providers out of the market.
- **Obstructs faith-based child care providers equal access to funding.** This money helps ensure facilities are safe.
- **Places onerous requirements on child care providers,** such as mandatory pay requirements.
- **Gives the Secretary the authority to approve early education standards.**

Higher Education

- **Pushes a federal takeover of higher education under guise of "free college."** This move dictates the choices of millions of postsecondary education students, and forces workers without a college degree to subsidize education for millionaires and illegal immigrants.
- **Fails to address the student debt crisis.** This bill irresponsibly increases student aid without any accountability from colleges for ballooning costs and dismal student outcomes.
- **Provides nearly \$30 billion to further subsidize specific institutions** beyond what is already provided in current law.

Workforce Development

- **Heaps money on a failed workforce development system.** Without making any necessary reforms to address our nation's growing skills gap, this bill adds nearly \$75 billion to the current system's bloated and failed bureaucracy.
- **Ignores innovative job preparation models.** Instead of bolstering successful industry-led apprenticeships, this bill throws away \$2 billion dollars to AmeriCorps to fulfill the Progressives' Green New Deal agenda.

School Construction

- **Hikes costs for states and local communities.** This bill creates an \$85 billion temporary school construction program. The money comes with long-term strings that will increase both regulatory burdens and construction costs. This move reflects Democrats' warped philosophy that government should be trusted more than local communities.

- **Snubs opportunities to expand educational access for vulnerable students.**

Child Nutrition

- **Creates a slush fund for partisan pet projects.** Rather than helping schools and families deal with Biden's inflation crisis and rising food costs, Democrats want to fund the Secretary of Agriculture's agenda.
- **Focuses on subsidizing wealthy families rather than needed reforms to the law.** In a post-pandemic world, it is critical that Congress address the underlying reforms necessary to improve the school meal programs.

Anti-Life

- **Threatens unborn children.** By failing to include pro-life protections, the bill would allow over \$2 billion in federal funds to flow to abortions through the Department of Labor's Job Corps program and the Department of Health and Human Services' Pregnancy Assistance Fund.

Labor Provisions:

- **Wastes \$2.6 billion on government bureaucrats.** This colossal taxpayer-funded largess, allocated to the Department of Labor's enforcement agencies, the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, is in addition to funding provided through the regular appropriations process and the Democrat's so-called American Rescue Plan adopted earlier this year.
- **Enacts dangerous PRO Union Bosses Act provisions.** The bill authorizes NLRB civil monetary penalties on employers and holds directors and corporate officers personally liable for alleged NLRB workplace violations. Unions are exempted from these unprecedented and overly punitive fines.
- **Puts target on job creators' backs.** OSHA penalties will be increased by 512 percent across the board, and *Fair Labor Standards Act* penalties will be hiked by 900 percent. These outrageously inflated fines will harm small businesses and embolden government inspectors to harass job creators, who will be hesitant or unable to afford to contest these huge citations.
- **Violates long-standing employer rights.** The bill effectively prohibits employers from permanently replacing striking workers and conducting on-the-clock, paid meetings with employees to discuss union-organizing campaigns. These biased, union-requested changes overturn more than 75 years of established law and violate employer rights.

BOTTOM LINE: Every aspect of workers' and students' lives are threatened by this hyper-partisan, reckless spending spree. Parading as an investment, this bill will bankrupt future generations to pay for unnecessary, duplicative, and ineffective proposals that prop up liberal special interests on the backs of hard-working taxpayers.