Conrad "Save Social Security First" Amendment

- No new mandatory spending or tax cuts until Social Security is solvent, unless:
- Paid for, or
-60 votes


# Number of Social Security Beneficiaries Explodes 

 with Retirement of Baby Boom Generation

Source: 2004 Social Security Trustees Report
Note: OASJ beneficiaries

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-Bush Tax Cuts
-Medicare Surplus/Deficits
$\square$ Social Security Surplus/Deficits

## The Bush Tax Cuts and Social Security

 Present Value of Costis Over the Next 75 Years

Source: CBPP, Socjal Security Trustees 2004 Annual Report Note: Assumes that provisions of EGTRRA and JGTRRA are made permanent and the AMT is reformed.

## President Bush Promised to Protect Social Security

"None of the Social Security surplus will be used to fund other spending initiatives or tax relief."

- Excerpt from President Bush's FY 2002 Budget A Blueprint for New Beginnings


## Bush Budget Spends Every Penny of $\$ 2.5$ Trillion Social Security Surplus on Tax Cuts and Other Things FY 2006-2015

(\$ in billions)


## Cost of Bush Tax Cuts vs, Social Security Surplus (FY 2006-2015)

(\$ in tritllions)


## Bush Budget Provides No Funding for President's Social Security Plan



Note; The 20-year costi of President's Social
Security plan assumes price indexing of benefits.
Source: OME, SSA, CBPP

## Publicly-Held Debt Assuming Bush Budget Policies


2001
2005
2010
2015

## Source: SBC Democratic staff

Note: CBO March 2005 reestimate of Bush FY 2006 budget with AMT reform, ongoing war costs, and the President's Social Security privatization plan.

## Two-Thirds of Retirees Rely on Social Security for More than Half Their Income



Source: Social Security Administration's Annual Statistical Supplement, 2001.

## Nearly $50 \%$ of Beneficiaries Would Be in Poverty Without Social Security



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## Recent Productivity Growth Stronger Than SSA Projects for Next 75 Years



## Under President's Plan, Workers Earning 6.5\%

 Investment Return Must Repay 85\% of Account Value through Additional Cuts in Guaranteed Benefits

Note: Assumes $\$ 1,000$ contributed per year. Account balance assumes $3.7 \%$ real rate of return ( $6.5 \%$ nominal); Ioan repayment assumes account contributions compounded at $3.0 \%$ real rate of return ( $5.8 \%$ nominal).
Source: SBC Democratic staff

Under President's Plan, Workers Earning 5.0\% Investment Return Must Repay 120\% of Account Value through Additional Cuts in Guaranteed Benefits
(Inflation-adjusted 2005 dollars)


Note: Assumes $\$ 1,000$ contributed per year. Account balance assumes 2.2\% real rate of return ( $5.0 \%$ nominal); loan repayment assumes account contributions compounded at $3.0 \%$ real rate of return ( $5.8 \%$ nominal).
Source: SBC Democratic staff


[^0]:    Source: SSA

