

Hello, I am a big fan of single payor health care for all, but I am concerned with the Task Force's heavy reliance on taxing W-2 wages and matching employer contributions as that approach misses huge sections of the economy that do not rely on "wages" to get their money to live on day to day. This approach places the heaviest burden of financing the plan on high wage earners that have the greatest ability to recharacterize their money to avoid the tax altogether. The huge taxes on high wage earners and businesses (which would be many times the cost of buying traditional gold level insurance under the current system) I fear will make high W-2 earners and employers unanimous in their opposition to the plan, resulting in failure to become law. This is a real problem.

I was present on the zoom call during the Willamette valley forum this week. You mentioned that if I had some questions that I could send them to this email. Here are my questions.

1. Is there a way to get a copy of the power point file?
2. I understand that the annual price tag for OHP or all would be about \$57.13 billion per year, in 2026 dollars. Is this correct? Can you please let me know what the annual price would be in 2022 dollars? I need this to compare apples to apples with other revenue ideas.
3. To reach the annual total, could you also answer the following?
  - a) How much of the expected income to the program (in 2022 dollars) projected to come from W-2 wages and employer matching taxes
  - b) How much of that revenue (in 2022 dollars) is projected to come from individual income tax increases?
  - c) How much of that revenue (in 2022 dollars) is expected to come from other sources (redirection of Medicare, Medicaid and Obamacare subsidies etc)

Your assistance in this matter is very much appreciated. I will look forward to hearing from you soon.

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