



US Senate, Alabama

HOW TO USE THE AARP VOTERS' GUIDE:

AARP produced this guide to help you find out what candidates are saying about health and financial security in their own words.

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Social Security

How would you protect Social Security for today's seniors and strengthen it for future generations?

AARP's Position:

Social Security should continue to guarantee that Americans who work and pay into the system receive benefits based on what they earn and contribute. Benefits should keep up with inflation and last for as long as an individual lives. We must strengthen Social Security for the future and protect benefits for people who count on them most, including surviving spouses and families, lower-wage workers, and disabled individuals who no longer can work. Social Security must be put on stable financial ground, but any adjustments should be implemented gradually so changes do not impact those in or near retirement.

Jeff Sessions III (R):

We've got to save Social Security. People have depended on it and they've paid into it all their working lives. The Senator was quick to point out all the money paid in to Social Security is not enough, though, because people are living longer [...]. "We need to make some adjustments now – smaller series of adjustments to put those programs on a sound basis, and everyone who's going home at night, working hard, can sleep well knowing that they're going to have these benefits in the future," said Sen. Sessions. (Source: WHNT Interview, <http://ow.ly/xVICx>)

Medicare

How would you put Medicare on stronger financial ground and protect today's seniors and future retirees from rising health costs?

AARP's Position:

Medicare should be strengthened and improved so both current and future generations can count on having access to high-quality, affordable coverage. Medicare should continue to guarantee a specific set of benefits that are affordable and meet a person's health care needs. Medicare should offer choices that ensure access to high-quality health care. Medicare should improve the quality, safety, and efficiency of care by emphasizing value and cracking down on fraud, waste, and abuse.

Jeff Sessions III (R):

Jeff Sessions believes that a promise has been made to existing retirees and the federal government must honor that promise by protecting benefits for those already receiving Social Security and Medicare. However, both Social Security and Medicare are in peril, and unless we act, these programs will reach insolvency for future generations. It is the responsibility of leaders in Congress to stop deferring the problem to our children and grandchildren by acting now to ensure their viability. (Source: Sessions Campaign Website, <http://ow.ly/xVnfo>)

Financial Security

How would you help Americans save so they can secure their future and live independently as they age?

AARP's Position:

More opportunities and incentives should be available for all Americans to plan and save so they can have a more secure future. Freedom from age discrimination is a fundamental right and critical to Americans' ability to have a secure retirement. Every worker should be treated fairly, regardless of age. We need to support family caregivers who make it possible for more seniors to live in their homes and communities, where they want, rather than taxpayers and struggling families paying for costlier care.

Jeff Sessions III (R):

Above all else, Senator Sessions is committed to serving our hardworking Americans and their families. On policies like immigration, he has worked tirelessly to defend US workers and taxpayers from big money special interests. He is unwaveringly committed to the hard working men and women who form the backbone of the nation, and to the heritage of constitutional government that makes America history's most exceptional nation. (Source: Sessions Campaign Website, <http://ow.ly/xVoln>)



After years of working hard and paying into the system, AARP believes you've earned the right to know where the candidates stand on the issues that matter to you and your family. This Voters' Guide will help you find out where the candidates stand on health and financial security in their own words, so you can decide which candidate best reflects your views and values.

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