

WHAT MAY HAPPEN IF THE REPUBLICANS WIN THE 2024 NATIONAL ELECTION?

INTRODUCTION: (From the Republican Party's Platform, Project 2025)

Loss of our democracy

Broadening of income inequality

A nationwide ban on abortion

Further erosion of human rights like marriage equality

Further deaths and injuries from assault weapons and automatic guns

No effort to protect the earth's climate for our children and grandchildren

Increase the Power of the Presidency:

- By giving the president more direct influence over the Department of Justice.
- By having the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) more responsive to the president.

Eliminating Specific Federal Departments:

- Eliminate the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
- Eliminate the Housing and Urban Development Department
- Eliminate the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
- Eliminate the Corporation for Public Broadcasting
- Eliminate the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities
- Eliminate the Federal Housing Finance Agency (Fannie Mae & Freddie Mac)
- Eliminate the Corporation for National & Community Service (Ameri-Corps)
- Eliminate the Export-Import Bank (capital & credit insurance to facilitate US exports)
- Eliminate the US Trade & Development Agency (transfer to private sector)

Reduction in the Scope of Specific Federal Departments:

- Department of Veteran Affairs
 - Eliminate 42 offices to allow for barrier-free access to expert employees
 - Consolidate 31 additional offices
- Federal Communications Commission (FCC)
 - End review of telecommunication mergers
 - Transfer broad-band competition enforcement to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC)
- Department of Transportation

- **Privatize federal management of transportation services such as Amtrak and Air Traffic Control**
- **Downsize federal role in highway funding - transfer responsibilities to the states**
- Eliminate Federal Transit Administration - decrease support for mass transit projects; eliminate airport improvement program; and Maritime Administration
- Department of Homeland Security
 - End the National Flood Insurance program
 - **Contract out the Transportation Security Administration**
- Department of Labor
 - **Eliminate the Office of Federal Compliance Program - Office monitors federal contractors from engaging in racial discrimination**
 - Eliminate the trade adjustment assistance program - program is established to help American workers who lose jobs to foreign competitors
- Environmental Protection Administration
 - **Gut the department**
- Department of Commerce
 - Eliminate census bureau funding for the annual supplemental poverty measure report
 - Eliminate minority business development agency
 - Consider privatizing the Weather Service
- Department of Energy
 - **Draw down the strategic petroleum reserve**
 - Eliminate many offices and programs
 - **Assist in the revocation of the executive order for global green energy mandates and industrial energy efficiencies**
- Office of Personnel Management
 - **Eliminate the multi-state plan program under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) of 2010 - this will jeopardize the ACA**
 - **Eliminate special congressional subsidies for health insurance - this will jeopardize the ACA**
- Social Security Administration
 - Eliminate non-vocational grids and person's ability to adjust to work from Social Security disability insurance determination
 - Test optional private disability insurance
 - **Privatize disability insurance payments**
- Department of Health and Human Services
 - **Sunset the Head Start Program**
 - Transfer low-income housing assistance to the states
 - Repeal patient-centered health care reform
 - **Cease the implementation of the Affordable Care Act.**

Expansion of "Additional" New Services to Specific Departments:

- Department of Energy
 - Increase all liquified natural gas exports
- Department of the Treasury
 - Financial crimes enforcement regulation should be subject to meaningful cost-benefit analysis
- Office of Management and Budget
 - Organize existing offices into Division of Evidence-Based Policy
- Securities and Exchange Commission
 - Create Complex Case Unit - to handle cases involving large, complex, and well-financed investment banks, banks, and investment companies
- National Security Council
 - **Hire team players**
- Social Security Administration
 - Establish a needs-based period for disability benefits
- Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
 - Empower the DHS security management policy and implementation
- Department of Health and Human Services
 - Implement a means test welfare reform effort
 - **Slow down the rate of spending in the Medicare program**
- Department of State
 - Correct all the inefficiencies and structural problems in the department and America's foreign assistance programs and treaties
- Department of the Interior
 - **Revoke the fracking regulations**
 - **Open oil exploration in the outer continental shelf**
 - **Review the legal status of the US territories to determine whether the association with the US should be continued**
- Department of Defense
 - Increase the size of the military

Balance the Federal Budget:

- **Cut taxes for the rich and the corporations**
- **Cut spending (entitlements)**
- **Restoring Economic Freedom**
 - **Reduce the Federal Reserve's discretion in monetary policy and implement a rules-based policy that moves the US toward a competitive monetary system**
 - **Repeal the Affordable Care Act**
 - **Medicare should transition to a defined-contribution, premium support model**

- **Medicaid must be a “true safety net” - abled-bodied individuals should be converted to direct, defined contribution to facilitate participation in the private marketplace**
- **Reform Social Security by benefits reduction, re-evaluation or both**
- **Protection of Life and Conscience (anti-abortion stance)**
- **Mandatory work requirements for abled-bodied adult food stamp recipients**

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