

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: JIM HOBART

RE: KEY FINDINGS - PROTECTING PROSPERITY NATIONAL SURVEY

DATE: JUNE 12, 2025

#### Methodology

On behalf of Americans for Prosperity, Public Opinion Strategies conducted a national online survey of 1,000 registered voters. The survey was completed June 4-7, 2025, and has a credibility interval of +3.53% in 95 out of 100 cases.

### **Key Findings**

1. Now is not the time to raise taxes on Americans.

Seven-in-ten voters say it is a bad time to increase taxes given the state of the economy. This sentiment is held across party lines with Independents leading the way at 74% and Democrats and Republicans both coming in at 69%.

2. Voters place high emphasis on protecting Americans from the largest tax increase in history.

Pushing for as many responsible cuts as possible, while understanding the debt crisis will not be solved with one bill resonates well with voters. Voters read the following message about the deficit and were asked if they agreed or disagreed with that statement:

"There is no question Washington must address our skyrocketing national debt.

However, our elected officials cannot lose sight of what's most important - ensuring

Americans aren't hit with the largest tax increase in history. The Senate should push for
as many smart cuts as they can, but the priority needs to be producing a bill that will

make the tax cuts permanent and can get to the president's desk to be signed as quickly
as possible."

Fully 70% of respondents agreed with the statement that it is more important to protect Americans from a massive tax increase than it is to deal with the deficit since it will not be fixed with just one bill.

Additionally, after reading more about the bill, voters were asked which of the two messages on this topic they agree with more.

The two messages are below:

- 1. "Washington has a serious spending problem and the Senate should push for as many responsible cuts as possible, but our debt crisis will not be solved with one bill. There will be more opportunities to cut spending in the future. The most important thing is to protect Americans from the largest tax increase in history."
- 2. "America is in a debt crisis and we cannot continue to extend the Trump tax cuts without massive cuts in government spending. The Senate is right to oppose the legislation if it doesn't go far enough to cut spending, even if it may risk the largest tax increase in history."

Seven-in-ten voters picked statement one, urging the Senate to act now to keep taxes from increasing and to take accountability on the debt crisis in the future.

## 3. There is overwhelming consensus on several of the proposed changes to Medicaid.

Close to nine-in-ten voters (87%) of voters say Medicaid should eliminate waste, fraud, and abuse so the program can provide better health care for low income families and save taxpayers money.

Additionally, three-quarters (75%) of voters agree that states need to better screen Medicaid enrollees to weed out those who are ineligible, specifically illegal immigrants.

More than 70% of voters support requiring able-bodied, working-age Medicaid recipients to at least look for work or participate in community service in order to keep their benefits.

Fully 62% of voters support reducing federal Medicaid payments to states that offer Medicaid to illegal immigrants.

# 4. Reforms related to improving the process for domestic energy production were also well received by voters.

Fully 64% of voters want to improve the permitting process for oil, gas, and critical mineral projects to speed up domestic energy development by reducing delays and legal hurdles.

Speeding up environmental reviews to make it easier to build pipelines, refineries, and other energy infrastructure projects also receives 64% in favor by voters.