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Key Vote NO on the Bipartisan Budget Act

As one of over 6.9 million FreedomWorks activists nationwide, I urge you to call your representative and senators and demand that they vote against the disastrous “Bipartisan Budget Act”. Because this bill not only spends well in excess of the budget caps but also suspends the debt ceiling without any major spending reforms, **this vote will be weighted double on our Online Congressional Scorecard.**

The Budget Control Act of 2011 was the one real win for fiscal conservatives since President Obama has been in office. Modest though they were, the BCA’s across-the board cuts at least slowed down the government’s ever-increasing spending.

This bill increases spending over the next two fiscal years by \$80 billion in on-budget spending, along with an additional \$16 billion in new off-budget wartime military spending. The bill’s supporters claim that the spending is fully offset by cuts and reforms elsewhere, but just like the Ryan-Murray deal of 2013, the new spending happens now while the cuts take place much later.

With our national debt at over \$18.5 trillion, Congress must enact real, significant spending reforms that move government spending back towards a sustainable path. Instead, this bill increases deficits – already back on the rise – even more, while making a few minor tweaks to entitlements that Congressional leaders are touting as significant reforms.

In short, this bill is a disaster, the exact opposite of what taxpayers expected when they worked so hard to change control of Congress over the past six years.

Thus, FreedomWorks will count votes for this deal as a **double Key Vote** when calculating our Congressional Scorecard for 2015. The scorecard is used to determine eligibility for the FreedomFighter Award, which recognizes Members of Congress who consistently vote to support economic freedom and individual liberty.

Sincerely,

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