## TRUMP'S BUDGET WOULD BE DEVASTATING FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

## If Trump's Budget for 2020 became law, it would:

- Repeal the Affordable Care Act, eliminating health insurance for 552,000 South Carolinians, abolishing protections for people with pre-existing conditions, and substantially increasing premiums for older Americans. If the Trump Budget became law, a 60-year-old living in South Carolina making \$25,000 a year could see their health care premiums increase by up to \$10,000 a year from \$1,608 to \$11,727 in 2020, almost half of their income.
- Cut funding for South Carolina's **Medicaid** program by \$18 billion over the next 10 years. Nationally, the Trump Budget proposes to cut Medicaid by \$1.5 trillion over the next 10 years 36 percent in 2029 alone. Medicaid provides funding for more than 60 percent of all nursing home residents, 83 percent of poor children, 48 percent of children with special needs, and nearly half of all births in the U.S.
- Make college more expensive for 54,000 South Carolina students by completely eliminating the Direct Subsidized Loan program and by taking away grants for 14,000 students by abolishing the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant program. The Trump Budget also eliminates the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program and cuts the Federal Work Study program by more than 55 percent.
- Eliminate after-school programs for 18,000 South Carolina students by zeroing out the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program.
- Take away high-quality child care and early education for 2,150 low-income South Carolina children by cutting **Head Start** by 17 percent in the final year of this budget.
- Eliminate nutrition assistance for up to 170,000 South Carolinians 92 percent of whom live in households with at least one child, elderly person, or a person with a disability by cutting the **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, or food stamps)** by \$220 billion nationally over 10 years.
- Take food out of the mouths of 13,500 pregnant women, new moms, babies, and toddlers in South Carolina by cutting the **Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)** program by 13 percent in the final year of this budget
- Deny heating and cooling assistance to 51,000 South Carolina households 63 percent of which include at least one elderly person, one person with a disability, or one child under five years old – by abolishing the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).



Figures represent Senate Budget Committee minority staff analysis of data from the President's fiscal year 2020 budget request and the following sources:

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  Monthly Data State Level Participation by Category and Program Costs," 3/8/19. Data shown are an average of
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