

In Congress, Trone Garriott would have voted to keep taxes on Social Security benefits, taking money out of the pockets of Iowa seniors who have paid into the system their entire lives.

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VIDEO: In November 2025, Trone Garriott Referred To The Big Beautiful Bill As “The Big Awful Bill” SARAH TRONE GARRIOTT: “And now, you know, we’ve had SNAP benefits not go out during this government shutdown. And we are going to be seeing some significant cuts to SNAP benefits coming with this big, awful bill that Zach Nunn voted for. And so we’re going to see more stress on the charity system. We are not there to carry the load.” ([Sarah Trone Garriott Attends Okoboji Writers Interview](#), Des Moines IA, 11/10/25) Minute 11:35

Sarah Trone Garriott Said Zach Nunn’s Vote In Favor Of The Bill Was Wrong. “Sarah Trone Garriott, Democrat running for Iowa's Third Congressional District in 2026 ‘This is a bad bill that will make life more expensive for hardworking Iowans and their families. And Zach Nunn voted for it. Instead of making life more affordable for Iowans, he’s working with Republican politicians in Washington to give billionaires a tax cut. It’s wrong, and it’s why Iowans need new leadership. We can’t afford Zach Nunn’s votes.’” (“Iowa Leaders React To House Passing Trump's 'Big Beautiful Bill,’” [KCCI](#), 7/3/25)

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The One Big Beautiful Bill Includes A \$6,000 Annual Deduction For Seniors “Deduction for Seniors New deduction: Effective for 2025 through 2028, individuals who are age 65 and older may claim an additional deduction of \$6,000. This new deduction is in addition to the current additional standard deduction for seniors under existing law. The \$6,000 senior deduction is per eligible individual (i.e., \$12,000 total for a married couple where both spouses qualify). Deduction phases out for taxpayers with modified adjusted gross income over \$75,000 (\$150,000 for joint filers). Qualifying taxpayers: To qualify for the additional deduction, a taxpayer must attain age 65 on or before the last day of the taxable year. Taxpayer eligibility: Deduction is available for both itemizing and non-itemizing taxpayers. Taxpayers must: include the Social Security Number of the qualifying individual(s) on the return, and file jointly if married, to claim the deduction.” (One, Big, Beautiful Bill Act: Tax deductions for working Americans and seniors, [Internal Revenue Service](#), 7/14/25)