In Congress, Denise Powell would have voted to continue taxing Social Security benefits, taking money out of the pockets of Nebraska seniors who have paid into the system their entire lives.

Denise Powell Appeared On Video Saying She "Would Absolutely Not Have Voted For" The One Big Beautiful Bill

VIDEO: INTERVIEWER: "Let's move on to the Big Beautiful Bill…" POWELL: "I would absolutely not have voted for this bill." (The Dan Parsons Show, "'BRING IT ON': Denise Powell in the Battle for Nebraska's 2nd District," 7/23/25, Video Begins At 19:59; Powell Begins Speaking At 21:02)

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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)