

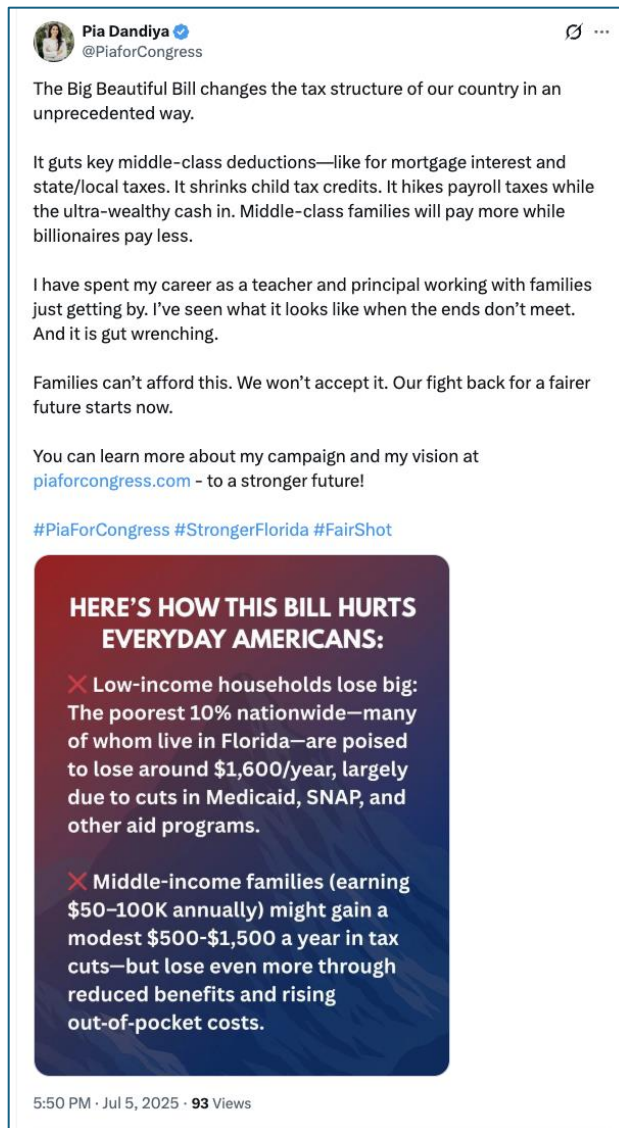
Pia Dandiya Supports Higher Taxes On Social Security Benefits, Taking Money Out Of The Pockets Of Seniors Who Have Paid Into The System Their Entire Lives

In July 2025, Dandiya Criticized Her Then Opponent, Congressman Brian Mast, For His Support Of The One Big Beautiful Bill. “It’s deeply troubling that my opponent, Congressman Brian Mast, supported the reckless ‘Big Beautiful Bill,’ which passed today. Floridians deserve leaders who will protect their health, put families first, and strengthen our communities — not support dangerous policies that cause lasting harm. You can learn more about my campaign and my vision at <http://piaforcongress.com> - to a stronger future! #PiaForCongress #StrongerFlorida #FairShot” (Pia Dandiya, [X](#), 7/3/25)



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In July 2026, Dandiya Posted That She “Won’t Accept” The One Big Beautiful Bill. “The Big Beautiful Bill changes the tax structure of our country in an unprecedented way. It guts key middle-class deductions—like for mortgage interest and state/local taxes. It shrinks child tax credits. It hikes payroll taxes while the ultra-wealthy cash in. Middle-class families will pay more while billionaires pay less. I have spent my career as a teacher and principal working with families just getting by. I’ve seen what it looks like when the ends don’t meet. And it is gut wrenching. Families can’t afford this. We won’t accept it. Our fight back for a fairer future starts now. You can learn more about my campaign and my vision at <http://piaforcongress.com> - to a stronger future! #PiaForCongress #StrongerFlorida #FairShot” (Pia Dandiya, [X](#), 7/5/25)

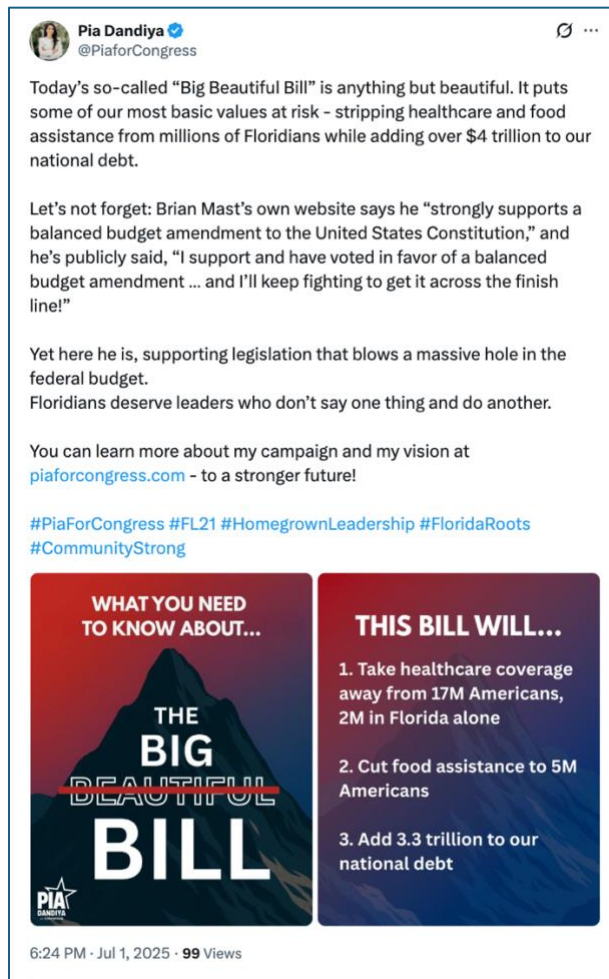


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In July 2025, Dandiya Called The One Big Beautiful Bill, “Anything But Beautiful.”

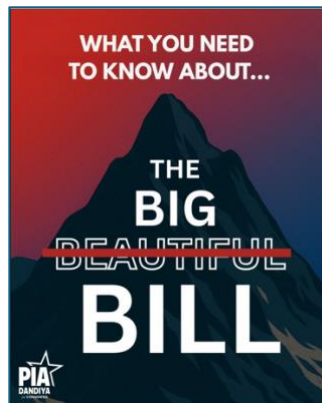
“Today’s so-called “Big Beautiful Bill” is anything but beautiful. It puts some of our most basic values at risk - stripping healthcare and food assistance from millions of Floridians while adding over \$4 trillion to our national debt. Let’s not forget: Brian Mast’s own website says he “strongly supports a balanced budget amendment to the United States Constitution,” and he’s publicly said, “I support and have voted in favor of a balanced budget amendment ... and I’ll keep fighting to get it across the finish line!” Yet here he is, supporting legislation that blows a massive hole in the federal budget. Floridians deserve leaders who don’t say one thing and do another. You can learn more about my campaign and my vision at <http://piaforcongress.com> - to a stronger future! #PiaForCongress #FL21

#HomegrownLeadership #FloridaRoots #CommunityStrong” (Pia Dandiya, [X](#), 7/1/25)



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Dandiya's Graphic On The Post Includes A Red Line Through The Word "Beautiful" In "The Big Beautiful Bill." (Pia Dandiya, [X](#), 7/1/25)



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In A July 2026 Candidate Questionnaire, Dandiya Claimed That Reversing Cuts To Medicare And Medicaid From The One Big Beautiful Bill Would Protect Social Security From Insolvency. SUN SENTINEL: "What changes do you support to improve the solvency of Social Security and Medicare?" DANDIYA: "The best thing we can do towards protecting these essential programs is reverse the cuts to Medicare and Medicaid in the One Big Beautiful Bill and protect Social Security from any benefit cuts. These programs are promises we've made to seniors and working families, and efforts to reduce benefits, raise the retirement age, or privatize them are unacceptable. We can strengthen them by making the system fairer, cracking down on waste and

fraud, and growing the economy so these programs remain strong for generations to come. Currently, there is a cap on tax paid into Social Security after \$184,0500 in income, and we can increase that cap to extend the program's solvency for generations without cutting a single benefit.” (Pia Dandiya, Questionnaire, [South Florida Sun Sentinel](#), 7/9/26)

The One, Big, Beautiful Bill Included A \$6,000 Tax Deduction Through 2028 To Cover The Cost Of Social Security Taxes On Seniors

According To The IRS, The HR 1 Included A \$6,000 Tax Deduction For Seniors For 2025 Through 2028. “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)

According To The White House Council Of Economic Advisors, HR 1 Includes A Bonus Deduction For Seniors Meant To Cover The Cost Of Social Security Taxes. “No Tax on Social Security: Senate Draft Bill The One Big Beautiful Bill provides a new bonus deduction of \$6,000 for seniors age 65 and older (\$12,000 for married seniors) beginning in 2025. This amounts to the largest tax break in American history for our nation's seniors. The new deduction is on top of the standard deduction and the current-law additional deduction for seniors. The bill also increases and permanently extends the standard deduction and many other features of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act that were otherwise scheduled to expire after this year, resulting in significant ongoing savings for most taxpayers. Under the One Big Beautiful Bill, 51.4 million seniors – 88% of all seniors receiving Social Security income – will pay no tax on their Social Security.” (The One Big Beautiful Bill Delivers On President Trump's Promise Of No Tax On Social Security, [The White House Council Of Economic Advisors](#), 6/30/25)

	Millions of Beneficiaries	Percent of Beneficiaries
Seniors aged 65 and over receiving Social Security income	58.5	100%
Seniors with exemptions & deductions exceeding taxable Social Security income*		
... under current law	37.2	64%
... under OBBB	51.4	88%
*Includes seniors who receive Social Security income but have no such income in their AGI.		
Note: Calculations are for tax year 2026 and correspond to the version of the Senate OBBB text published on June 16, 2025. In that version, the standard deduction for 2026 was \$16,000. In the version published June 28, 2025, the 2026 standard deduction will be based on an inflation-indexed value that exceeds \$16,000.		
Source: U.S. Treasury, June 24, 2025.		

(The One Big Beautiful Bill Delivers On President Trump's Promise Of No Tax On Social Security, [The White House Council Of Economic Advisors](#), 6/30/25)

According To The White House Council Of Economic Advisors, The Senior Tax Deduction Included In HR 1 Covers 33.9 Million Seniors. “The new \$6,000 senior deduction is estimated to benefit 33.9 million seniors, including seniors not claiming Social Security. The deduction yields an average increase in after-tax income of \$670 per senior who benefits from it. It is subject to a phase out at a 6% rate for single taxpayers with income over \$75,000 and for married filers with income over \$150,000. This means that, for every \$1,000 in additional income over \$75,000 for singles (or \$150,000 for married seniors filing jointly), the deduction will decline by \$60, reaching a deduction of \$0 at \$175,000 of income for single seniors (or \$250,000 for married seniors filing jointly).” (The One Big Beautiful Bill Delivers On President Trump's Promise Of No Tax On Social Security, [The White House Council Of Economic Advisors](#), 6/30/25)

According To The White House Council Of Economic Advisors, Married Seniors Who Both Receive The Average Social Security Income Will See Deductions That Exceed Their Taxable Social Security Income. “Married seniors who both receive the average \$24,000 Social Security income — a total of \$48,000 in annual income — will also see deductions that exceed their taxable Social Security income.” (The One Big Beautiful Bill Delivers On President Trump’s Promise Of No Tax On Social Security, [The White House Council Of Economic Advisors](#), 6/30/25)

Deductions for Seniors under the One Big Beautiful Bill			
Single Senior		Married Seniors	
New senior deduction (single)	\$6,000	New senior deduction (couple)	\$12,000
Standard deduction	\$15,750	Standard deduction	\$31,500
Existing senior deduction	\$2,000	Existing senior deduction	\$3,200
Total	\$23,750	Total	\$46,700

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