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(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

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The national media seldom mentions that the President’s budget would double the national debt in 5 years and triple it in 10. The national media don’t tell the American people that the President’s cap-and-trade energy plan will cost every family $1,600. The national media don’t report that the 46 million uninsured that is available, and come to Memphis and have the best medical care available.

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