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Troika Plan Fact of the Day:  
**Sneak Attack? Senate Version of Obama-Reid  
Spending Package Imposes, Yet Never Once  
References “Davis-Bacon”**

*Senate Bill Covers Up Expansion of Davis-Bacon Government Wage Subsidies –  
Taxpayers Foot the Bill*

WASHINGTON, D.C.— The Pelosi-Obama-Reid troika is looking to put taxpayers on the hook for paying for their trillion dollar spending plan under the guise of economic “stimulus.”

*Like the house version, the senate version of the “stimulus” package also applies the Davis-Bacon Act  
federal wage subsidy mandates of 1931...*

*but you would never know this by searching the senate bill text for “Davis-Bacon.”*

Instead, these provisions are only referred to by their arcane United States Code reference of “Subchapter IV of Chapter 31 of Title 40.” The Davis-Bacon wage mandates increase the cost of federally funded transportation by \$9 billion per year!

“The fact that the Senate version of this massive spending package never once explicitly references “Davis-Bacon,” which the House version still did, begs the question whether the authors were purposely trying to sneak these mandates past taxpayers,” says Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform. “But regardless of what they’re calling or not calling it, Senators should strip “Davis-Bacon” out of the package – and then they should reject the package altogether.”

Americans for Tax Reform is a non-partisan coalition of taxpayers and taxpayer groups who oppose all tax increases. For more information or to arrange an interview please contact John Kartch at (202) 785-0266 or by email at [jkartch@atr.org](mailto:jkartch@atr.org).

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