

## Stand for Something!

ObamaCare was written in secret and foisted on the American people through a legislative trick – a procedure called ‘reconciliation.’ Nancy Pelosi famously said that we would have to *pass the bill to see what it was in it.*



Americans were outraged and rightfully so. Is this what our democratic republic has come to? And the more we learn about ObamaCare the less we like it.

*Richmond is like Washington now.*

We just got *the largest tax increase in Virginia history* – foisted on us in the same manner. The governor and his cronies *had been working on this in secret.* They did *not* file this tax increase as a bill in the General Assembly. Working Virginians – tax paying Virginians – *didn't know anything about it.*

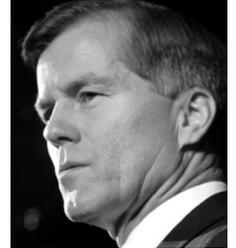
The governor and his cronies waited until the waning hours of the General Assembly. *They sprang it on us in a surprise move with the budget bill – so there would be no time to respond* – a legislative trick, just like Nancy Pelosi's ‘reconciliation’ trick. And the fix was even in with the Democrats!

And like Nancy Pelosi's bill, *the more we learn, the more outrageous it gets:* for example, expanding Amtrak and Metro, two of the worst, money-hemorrhaging boondoggles in government history. This *\$6.5 billion tax increase is loaded up with goodies for all sorts of special interests.* We may not have a full idea of who got a goodie until we see who donates to Bob's U.S. Senate campaign next year.



Is this the kind of government we deserve? Is this the Republican Party that we stand for? Why not just elect Democrats? After all, *what are Democrats going to do – raise taxes and give us more government? Well, duh!*

Now, here at the Virginia GOP Convention, *you have a chance to show your displeasure.* When Bob “\$6.5 billion” McDonnell gets up to speak, *it's time to walk out.* When Bob “*bigger tax hike than liberal Mark Warner*” McDonnell takes the microphone, *it's time to go get something to drink, go to the restroom, stretch your legs, disappear for a few minutes.*



You have a chance to be heard *through the silence of a quiet walk.* Stand up for limited government, for government transparency, for free markets. Stand up for a government that does not try to *trick its citizens through underhanded legislative maneuvers.*

Stand up for the principles that once differentiated the Republican Party from the Party of Barack Obama and Saul Alinsky. *Stand up, and walk out.*

If you like ever-increasing government and higher taxes, just stay in your seat and cheer on the governor who raised taxes *again* – and 55% more than liberal Gov. Mark Warner. If you think that legislative trickery is fair game, then just keep your seat.

But *if you reward the politicians* who have abandoned the Republican Party's principles, you can expect more of this. And *the Party will be meaningless, because in order to have a Party, you have to stand for something.*

Stand for something. **Stand up . . . and walk.**

*“We contend that for a nation to tax itself into prosperity, it's like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.”*

Winston Churchill



**Stand for Something & WALK OUT**