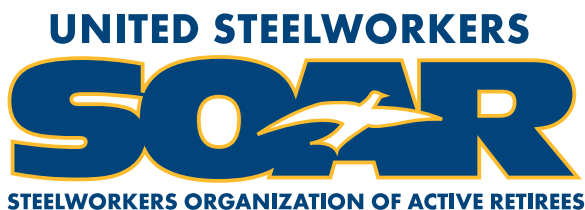


Where the Candidates Stand on Issues Important to Retired Americans



	Barack Obama	John McCain
<p>Privatize Social Security</p> <p>Convert money now set aside for Social Security benefits into private, risk-based accounts subject to the ups and downs of the stock market. (S. Continuing Resolution 83, Roll Call No. 68, 3/16/2006)</p>	Opposes	Supports
<p>Stop Medicare Advantage Subsidies</p> <p>These privately run Medicare Advantage plans replace Medicare in some cases. They drain more than \$10 billion a year from the Medicare Trust Fund and cost all Medicare recipients an extra \$2 a month in premiums. (S. Continuing Resolution 21, Roll Call No. 103, 3/23/2007)</p>	Supports	Opposes
<p>Fix Medicare Part D – Prescription Drug Coverage</p> <p>Extend the sign-up period for Part D drug plans to help retirees avoid late enrollment penalties. (H.R. 4297, Roll Call No. 4, 2/2/2006)</p>	Supports	Opposes
<p>Protect Pensions</p> <p>Give employees and retirees priority in bankruptcy claims for the value of company stock held in employee pension plans. (S. Continuing Resolution 83, Roll Call No. 68, 3/16/2006)</p>	Supports	Opposes
<p>Fund Veterans' Health Care</p> <p>Increase funding for veterans' health care by \$1.7 billion (H.R. 1591, Roll Call No. 126, 3/29/2007)</p>	Supports	Opposes
<p>Pass the Employee Free Choice Act</p> <p>Restore workers' bargaining rights and build bargaining power. (Motion to end debate and move to full vote on S. 1041, Roll Call No. 227, 6/26/2007)</p>	Supports	Opposes