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Department of Labor,

Why should working people who try to provide for their retirement through employee benefit plans not be afforded the same safeguards that the wealthy enjoy when they hire a financial advisor? Americans are in the midst of a retirement security crisis—depending on every dollar they can save to afford a basic standard of living. Conflicted advice costs retirement savers \$17 billion each year. The current fiduciary rule is the right way to deal with this problem. Nothing about the fiduciary standard constrains financial advisers from providing broad-based investment advice to their clients—it would simply require them to do so with increased transparency and reduced conflicts of interest. I urge the Department of Labor to protect working people and retirees by fully implementing and enforcing the fiduciary rule.

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