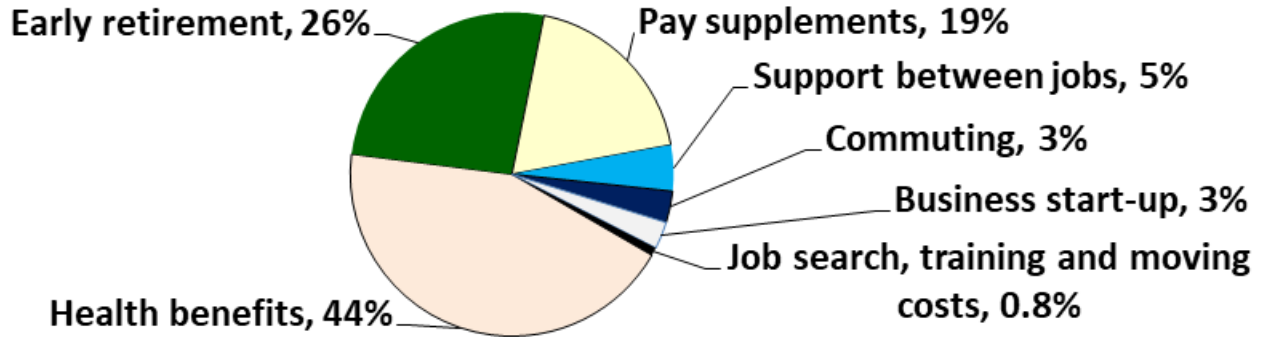


A New Day for the Coalfields

**We Propose a Federal Program with
\$3.4 Million per 100 Lost Coal Mining Jobs per Year, which is
\$12 Billion for All Coal Miners' Transition over 10 Years**



and \$13 Billion for Coal Communities over 10 Years (described in item 6 on back)

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We're volunteers around the country. We ask Congress to attach our proposal to:

- Rep. Deutch's *Energy Innovation & Carbon Dividend Act (HR 763)*; using less than 1% of revenue
- Sen. Van Hollen's and Rep. Beyer's *Healthy Climate and Family Security Act (S 940, HR 1960)*
- RECLAIM Act, which provides economic development, rather than transition help for miners (**HR 2156, S 1232**); *New Day* would need a different source of funds, not the Abandoned Mine Lands Fund.
- Rep. McKinley's *HELP Act (HR 6819)* in 2018)
- Sen. Manchin's *American Miners Act (S 27)* *or any other appropriate bill*

The Need:

- Coal mining jobs will disappear, because coal will no longer be economically viable after 10 years, except steel-making, some exports and some power plants saved by carbon capture.
- 2018 had the lowest use of coal since 1979, and was the 2nd highest year ever for closing coal plants.
- Many mines are in isolated areas, where there are no other jobs paying \$60,000/year as the mines do.

An outline of the proposal is on the other side.

Outline of *A New Day for the Coalfields*

Full description is at NewDay4.com

1. Health benefits

- Average \$15,000/year

2. Early retirement

- Average \$30,000/year until eligible for miner's pension

3. Pay supplements

- $\frac{3}{4}$ of the gap between new and old pay
- For example: \$60,000 old pay
\$32,000 new pay
\$28,000 gap
 $\frac{3}{4}$ of gap is \$21,000 supplement
- Supplement phases out over 10 years

4. Support while job-searching

- Help with searching
- Training if desired
- Moving expenses if needed
- $\frac{3}{4}$ of their old pay while searching

5. New businesses

- Advice, business training, virtual incubator
- Money, at same rate as pay supplement
- Miner businesses create jobs for other miners
- Wyoming example: openstates.org/wy/bills/2018/SF118

6. Help communities

- Replace severance, property and business taxes on coal mines
- 2008 study of West Virginia and Wyoming estimated the taxes. Taxes generated an average of \$57,500 per working miner per year
- Replace that amount as jobs and tax base disappear
- Community help phases out over 20 years (\$13 billion budget estimate for 10 years)

Administration can be done by Workforce Investment Boards, which already exist throughout the country: servicelocator.org/wibcontacts

A comparison of nine Congressional proposals is at NewDay4.com. No other proposal comes close to offering the level of support needed by coal workers and communities.

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