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- Tired of VA's slow response. Our newest veterans are facing the same problem.
- Veterans earned their benefits. Do not allow cuts. Veterans have already sacrificed for their country.
- Cut Air Force One from the President.
- Take away First Lady's secretaries and staff.
- Take away the large, expensive planes from the Speaker of the House
- Apply Mexican Immigration laws to those coming to the USA
- Don't pass a bill without reading it. The Health Care Bill had too much in it that was not needed.

**-There is a lack of enforcement of immigration laws at the border and blocking illegal immigration:**

**Who will take responsibility?**

**-President has cancelled a large number of ceremonial fly-overs. Memorial Day, military funerals, etc.**

**-President has a large number of people to head offices (Czars) who receive a large salary. He has money for this, but not the fly-overs?**

**-President tried to force the FCC to terminate CB radio use.**

**-One should not criticize out of control spending while also designating earmarks. Back away from earmarks.**

**-Why are the immigration laws not being followed?**

**-Secretary of State Clinton is attempting to work with the UN to ratify a treaty that will ban ownership of guns.**

**-Alzheimer's disease impacts many families. Wants to see support for NAPA.**

- NARFE members are concerned about impact of deficit on retirees.
- Concerned about the cost of Members of Congress pension.
- Too many in Washington ignore the Constitution.
- Regarding time needed to read bills prior to voting, a minimum of 72 hours or 25 pages per hour.
- Cuts to the budget are needed. Illegal immigration costs our country \$284 billion per year. Secure the borders first!
- 46 of 50 states in severe financial difficulty. Is there a plan for the Federal government to bail out the states?
- Opposed to earmarks for special interest groups. But Kentucky dollars should come back to KY.
- Stop automatic pay raises for Members of Congress. It should be subject to a vote of the people.

- Congress should follow the same rules everyone else must obey.
- Government should be out of the health care, auto and housing business.
- Politicians and media should stay out of the war and allow the Military to fight the war as needed.
- Suggestion that the President may not be a US citizen.
- Should a president have military service?
- Concerned about the senate's food safety bill regarding genetically altered food.
- Farmers should be able to sell raw milk.
- Republican leadership in Congress not working with the President. Members work for their district, not their party.
- Repeal No Child Left Behind.
- Support term limits
- atmosphere in Washington is poisonous

- bigotry in our country came to light with the election of President Obama.
- more should be done to stop domestic terrorism.
- go after those who are hiring illegal immigrants
- Cost of war was off budget during the Bush Presidency
- Meetings with top elected officials during the Bush Administration and deregulation in energy sector caused rise in prices. Wants to see price controls.
- Bush administration had a few Czars and also worked with “think tanks”. Iraq war was a personal vendetta. Saddam Hussein was a stabilizing force in the region.
- Limit executive orders. They bypass Congress.
- Federal elected officials should take and pass a test on the constitution.
- Establish English as a national language
- Bills should be of one topic
- How do we fix Social Security?

**-Looking at the past isn't going to help our country.**

**-There have been too many rural Kentucky kids who have been "left behind"**

**-NAFTA has gone on for too long; KY has the tools and talent to build anything. Too many of our manufacturing has gone to China and other countries. Repeal these free-trade agreements.**

**-Children deserve the best schooling, and should not be used as a reason to bicker between political parties.**

**-We need to monitor military's counter-insurgency efforts. Courts Martial have hurt too many good service members who were just doing their job.**

**-What can the citizens do to help with the deficit and other issues?**