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## **Seniors Group Endorses Jon Tester for Senate**

Today, the Alliance for Retired Americans proudly endorsed Senator Jon Tester for re-election for the United States Senate at a membership meeting in Helena.

In 2011, Sen. Tester earned a perfect 100% score for his votes on seniors' issues, according to the [Alliance for Retired Americans 2011 Voting Record](#); he has earned the trust of the Alliance for Retired Americans and seniors.

“Jon Tester’s commitment to protect Social Security and Medicare is proven. His vigorous opposition and votes to combat cuts to the programs – including privatization; cuts in benefits and raising the eligibility age – confirm his commitment to improve the quality of life for older Americans,” said Barbara Easterling, President of the Alliance for Retired Americans. She continued, “Jon Tester has confirmed through both his words and his votes that he understands the value of Social Security and Medicare to Americans and that he will work to keep these programs strong and solvent without slashing benefits.”

Alternately, Tester’s opponent, Congressman Denny Rehberg, earned a 10% score on the Alliance voting record for 2011 pro-retiree votes and holds a 13% lifetime score. Rehberg has worked hard to repeal the Affordable Care Act, which extends the solvency of the Medicare trust fund, closes the Medicare Part D doughnut hole and provides free preventive services for seniors. Rehberg voted to preserve the Bush tax cuts and end Medicare and Social Security as we know it by raising the eligibility age and cutting benefits.

The Alliance for Retired Americans represents over 4 million retirees and community activists, including more than 8,800 in Montana.

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