Les AuCoin. He stands up for Oregon.





"We ought to be building jobs, not bombs; funding people, not tobacco; freezing nuclear weapons, not senior citizens."

Congressman Les AuCoin Congressional Record August 11, 1982

Les AuCoin believes the federal budget is more than a list of numbers. It's a statement of our priorities, our values.

"Where this nation chooses to put its money and where it chooses to take it away tells what kind of people we are," he told Congress.

"That's why there is something very wrong about this budget."

What's wrong is not just that it's fiscally unbalanced. That's bad enough for Oregon and the nation.

It's also unfair.

This budget slashes programs that help people: housing, student loans, Medicare, and environmental protection.

Meanwhile, it funds programs that don't do most people any good: Tobacco subsidies, MX missiles, nuclear evacuation schemes.

As you'll read in the pages ahead, Les AuCoin is fighting for a budget that's truly balanced.

Balanced in how much money gets spent. And balanced in where that money gets spent.



In times like these, we need a guy like Les AuCoin fighting for Oregon's future.

In the face of some of the toughest times since the Depression, Les AuCoin is creating jobs. And securing Oregon's economic future.

His Washington County roads bill: Nearly 5,000 jobs. And improved transportation for area businesses.

The Navy contract for Portland's shipyards: 450 new jobs. And a \$10 million payroll.

The new Veterans hospital: A \$150 million shot in the arm for the economy. Worth 750 jobs.

Les AuCoin also saved thousands of Oregonians from losing their jobs. Using his seat on the Appropriations Committee, he stopped the closing of federal fish hatcheries on the Columbia.

He prevented crippling cuts in the Forest Service budget. And won funds to prepare the Port of Astoria for deep-water, coal exporting ships.

Vice President Bush may believe, as he said in Portland recently, "The recession is over."

But, to Les AuCoin, the fight for Oregon's economic future has just begun.



Why Les AuCoin is so tough on federal spending.

Les AuCoin knows an unbalanced budget hurts Oregon more than most states.

That's why Les AuCoin has voted to cut lederal spending deeper than every President since he's been in Congress.

Last year, he voted to cut spending by \$5.5 billion more than President Reagan asked for.

Les' record in 1981 earned him the title "Friend of the Taxpayer" from the toughest watchdog on spending in the country, the National Taxpayers Union.

His record also kept Les off the House Budget Committee. The special interests said he was "too tightfisted."

This year, Les is backing a sure way to cut the deficit: The Pay As You Go budget.

Pay As You Go tells Congress: If you want a new program, raise the money for it. Or do without it.

Pay As You Go freezes spending at last year's level. And gives us a balanced budget in two years.

"Pay As You Go won't just put a lid on federal spending," Les said. "It'll put Oregonians back to work."



James Watt keeps running into trouble in Oregon. The trouble's name is Les AuCoin.

Life hasn't been easy lately for Interior Secretary James Watt. Not with Les AuCoin sitting across from him on the Interior Subcommittee on Appropriations.

Last year, Secretary Watt wanted to sell oil and gas drilling leases off the Oregon-California coast. Some were right along an earthquake fault.

The dangers to Oregon's fishing and tourism industries shook Les AuCoin into action. He rounded up the votes in Congress and stopped the drilling. Cold.

Then Mr. Watt refused to protect the priceless Cascade Head area on Oregon's coast from a trailer court.

Until Les AuCoin forced him to.

The latest Watt scheme was to sell oil and mining leases under Oregon's existing wilderness. To turn hiking, camping, and wildlife country over to dynamite blasters, oil derricks, and bulldozers.

Les AuCoin and his colleagues in Congress stopped Watt's plan in its tracks.

As long as Les AuCoin is in Congress, life is going to be a lot tougher for James Watt.

And a lot better for the rest of us.



Les AuCoin has his own reasons for fighting for a nuclear weapons freeze.

Les AuGoin co-authored the Oregon nuclear weapons freeze bailot measure. And he's the state co-chair of the campaign to pass it in November.

He's a founder of the freeze movement in Congress. And a leader in making a strong freeze bill the law.

Les cares deeply about stopping the arms race because of his family and yours. And because he sees what the \$1.6 trillion weapons buildup is doing:

It's bankrupting the economy and moving the world closer to a showdown.

Les wants both sides to stop building, testing, and deploying nuclear weapons. And to agree to procedures that prevent either side from cheating.

He's against the \$4.2 billion nuclear evacuation scheme the White House won in Congress. Against the bomb shelters. And against the Postal Service plan to deliver mail after a nuclear attack, complete with millions of Change of Address forms!

"Decision makers in Washington think nuclear war is survivable, even winnable," Les said.

"They're wrong. Dead wrong.

"It's time for us to set them straight this November."

Les AuCoin stands up for Oregon because he stays in touch with Oregonians.



To stand up for Oregon, you have to know what Oregonians are thinking. Les AuCoin knows what Oregonians in his district are thinking because he comes home to listen.

He logs 100,000 miles a year to come home. To listen. He listens at town hall meetings and open office hours held in every city, town, and county in his district.

He listens at special hearings on matters of special interest to all Oregonians.

He held six hearings on small business problems caused by high interest rates. And another on the nuclear freeze amendment.

When Les can't get back to Oregon, Oregonians can still get to Les AuCoin. By calling his toll-free number 1-800-452-1920.

Or they talk to his full-time troubleshooter, who travels to any community that has a problem.

Staying in touch is nothing new for Les AuCoin. He started in politics by walking through Washington county. Knocking on doors. Listening to people's problems.

Les AuCoin is still listening. That's what makes him different. And that's why he makes a difference for Oregon in Congress.

Les AuCoin for Congress. He stands up for Oregon. Vote for him November 2.

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