Social Security deal is even worse

There was a misleading point in the editorial, "Social insecurity," published March 22. Because every employer pays an additional 6.2 cents for every dollar you earn, (in addition to the 6.2 cents withheld from your dollar!) the number of households whose total Social Security payment exceeds their income taxes is probably more like 98 percent. For those who say, "That's an employer expense," remember that 6.2 cents could be paid to the employee or could reduce the cost of the product or service that the employer is selling, keeping them more competitive in the world markets. Also, the \$87,000 cap applies to each individual, not households.

Bill Larsen could do well in the primary, since a gutless Mark Souder (who ran on a "I believe in term limits" platform early and then reversed himself as an incumbent) wants to be re-elected so bad that he will compromise his principles — just like any run-of-themill politician.

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