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# Not all stimulus ideas are created equal

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**Quote** “The strong parts are those initiatives most likely to spark critical job growth and provide emergency economic aid: individual and business tax relief, aid for state Medicaid programs and unemployment benefits. But the package also carries too much fat. Green energy initiatives, construction money for schools and job-creating provisions such as weatherizing buildings and building highways may be good ideas, but they don't belong in this particular legislation. And these are the items that have inflated the package to historic levels.” ”

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