



Representative Funsky today presented his economic stimulus plan to a packed House. The reaction was silence, shock and disregard at the simple, yet all-encompassing nature of the Funsky package.

While Democrats and Republicans had suggested distributing cash rebates to millions of American families, Funsky's proposal instead relies on the individual initiative and earning power of the citizens themselves. In suggesting that the government simply distribute a Monopoly set to each American family, and then proposing a new National holiday on which all Americans could stay home and simply earn their own rebates by playing Monopoly, Funsky at once tapped into the country's competitive spirit, the universal desire to defeat one's neighbor, and the widespread dependence on blind luck. "People can earn \$ 200 each time they Pass Go, and the more they play, the bigger their windfall. If they play continuously all day, they might even be able to retire," explained Funsky, to a stunned crowd. Funsky proposed setting March 4th as Monopoly Day, since he already has calendared that day, his birthday, for engaging in this national pastime.

Instead of costing the Treasury billions of dollars, expenditures for the Funsky plan are expected to be minimal. Funsky pointed out, "You can already buy a Monopoly set at Target for only \$12.99, and if the Government walks in and orders 50 million sets at once, it can probably negotiate a discount."

Funsky mentioned other collateral benefits of his proposal, especially to the ailing real estate industry. “Refinancing becomes easier when you can simply turn over a deed card to mortgage your property,” and, Funsky argued, the game should produce an immediate boom in the hotel industry “especially red ones.”

Funsky immediately set out to build support for his proposal. In his speech to the country’s Latino population, Funsky mentioned that, in addition to the repeated windfalls from Passing Go (all non-reported to the IRS), illegal immigrants would benefit from the plethora of additional Get Out of Jail Free cards his plan is expected to produce.

Formal debate on the proposal has not yet been scheduled.

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