# How South Carolina Benefits





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#### IN SOUTH CAROLINA TODAY:

- There are over 724,000 people with disabilities<sup>1</sup>
- There are approximately 936,000 people ages 65 and older<sup>2</sup>



THE BETTER CARE BETTER JOBS ACT WOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR

Almost 12,000 family caregivers in South Carolina to return to work<sup>3</sup>

### The Better Care Better Jobs Act Invests in Cost-Effective Services

Cost of Home Care	Cost of Congregate Care
Per Person/Per Year	Per Person/Per Year
\$26,000 <sup>₄</sup>	<b>\$90,000</b> ⁵



OVER 11,000 PEOPLE IN SOUTH CAROLINA ARE ON THE WAITING LISTS FOR SERVICES<sup>6</sup> The Better Care Better Jobs Act would provide almost 36,000 more seniors and people with disabilities with needed services in South Carolina<sup>7</sup>

#### THE BETTER CARE BETTER JOBS ACT WOULD CREATE

Almost 5,800 new home care jobs in South Carolina and raise wages for care workers—today, the median wage is under \$11 per hour<sup>8</sup>



### MORE THAN 3 IN 4 AMERICANS SUPPORT THE BETTER CARE BETTER JOBS ACT

- 79 percent support funding service expansions
- 79 percent support paying home care workers competitive wages<sup>9</sup>



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