- Set 1: congress, night, littl, control, program, industri, interest, run
- Set 2: busi, small, rate, percent, credit, tax, high, lawyer
- Set 3: tax, incom, class, middl, relief, pay, rais, corpor
- Set 4: health, insur, care, cost, cover, afford, obamacar, premium

BOB DOLE Well, 88 percent of the people — the President claims 11 million are already covered and only 5 percent — keep in mind only 5 percent of the employers are affected by the Family Leave Act. We had a better idea. We didnt win. We had a better idea. Now we have a majority and we get a president. That was a tax credit for the employer. Instead of the federal government, we had that tax credit, pick up some of the costs, because if you have to hire a replacement worker, thats a cost. This is the way it ought to work, give more power back to the states and back to the people back to the taxpayers, not always the long arm of the federal government. But keep in mind this bill covers 5 percent of the employers, and 95 percent of the employers and all those employees they employ are not covered in this act. And according to Investors Daily, which I read just a couple of days ago, 88 percent of the people he claims credit for are already covered in collective bargaining agreements or other agreements. We had family leave in our office, Im certain. I see my friend Senator Mitchell. He had family leave. I work every day with people. I spend a lot of time in hospitals. I know what its like to be in a hospital. Sure we want family leave. But theres a better way to do it.

BILL CLINTON I only have 30 seconds. I cant fix the statistics. It covers the majority of the work force. Employers of under 50 are exempted. The bill originally covered employers of 25 and more, but because of opposition, we went up to 50. Senator Dole led the opposition to it. He filibustered it. He said it was a mistake. He said it would hurt the economy. Weve had record numbers of new small businesses and 10 and a half million jobs. It didnt hurt the economy. He still believes its a mistake. I believe its right. You can decide which of us you think are right. Its up to you.

MODERATOR Next question for Senator Dole. Yes, maam.

AUDIENCE Hi. My name is Bridget Giannotti, and Im a wife and mother of two sons, from Carlsbad. And my question to you, Senator Dole, is as the wife of a San Diego business owner, I see one of our biggest problems in the U. S. is it does not manufacture enough of our own products. How would you help this problem out?

BOB DOLE Well, right. Weve lost 357, 000 manufacturing jobs. The Bureau of Labor Statistics today said they made a mistake. Its probably going to take a much, much higher figure. So we talk about all these new jobs. Wed better wait and see what the results are. Were going to do that with a more aggressive trade policy. Were going to do that with an economic package. Were going to do that with regulatory reform. You know, regulations cost the average family right here, Democrat or Republican, about \$7,000 a year. 7,000. Thats like a tax. Its put a lot of people out of business. I met a lady in Colorado Springs about seven weeks ago now. She had a small business with 63 employees. She finally gave it up. Why? Because of paperwork and regulation. Congress passed a paperwork reduction act. The President exempts the IRS which creates three-fourths of the paperwork. Were

going to have regulatory — were gonna have litigation reform. You know, I fell off a platform out in California, Chico, a while back. Before I hit the ground, my cell phone rang and this trial lawyer said, I think weve got a case here. (Laughter). Weve got to stop some of these frivolous lawsuits. Theyre putting people out of business, men and women. Get the economy going, cut the capital gains rate, create more jobs and opportunities for everybody in America. Thats what we will do. And my word is good. I keep my promises. I dont break my promises after the election, and I dont make new promises in an election year. Were going to get it done. Were going to grow some of these jobs in America, because we need to get it — theyre going the wrong way.