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<p>A true son of North Carolina. A successful businessman who understands our economy...</p>	<p>News & Record: "He Has Made His Home Here And Has Performed His Lion's Share Of His Public Service Here." In a 2002 editorial endorsing Erskine Bowles for US Senate, the <i>News & Record</i> wrote, "Finally, we see in Bowles someone who is more invested in North Carolina. He has made his home here and has performed the lion's share of his public service here. He has served on Gov. Jim Hunt's Rural Prosperity Task Force. He has been vice chair of the Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte and a trustee of the Duke Endowment. He has not had to become reacquainted with this state. He has been here all along." [News & Record, 11/3/02]</p> <p>Charlotte Observer: "Personally Involved In Efforts To Make North Carolina A Fine Place To Live And Work." In a 2002 editorial endorsing Erskine Bowles for US Senate, the <i>Charlotte Observer</i> wrote, "Mr. Bowles has lived most of his life here. He has been personally involved in efforts to make North Carolina a fine place to live and work. He has a depth of knowledge about the challenges and aspirations of North Carolinians that can be acquired only by being here and participating in the life of the state." [Charlotte Observer, 11/5/02]</p> <p>News & Observer: Bowles "Demonstrated A Real Grasp Of The Concerns Of Ordinary People." In a 2002 editorial endorsing Erskine Bowles for US Senate, the <i>News & Observer</i> wrote, "Bowles is an extraordinary person in terms of his own background, but he has demonstrated a real grasp of the concerns of ordinary people. That's most of us. [News & Observer, 11/3/02]</p> <p>News & Observer: Bowles would bring to the Senate an outstanding blend of qualifications to deal with the economic big picture. In a 2002 editorial endorsing Erskine Bowles for US Senate, the <i>News & Observer</i> wrote, "With his extensive background in private business and his work in the White House, Bowles would bring to the Senate an outstanding blend of qualifications to deal with the economic "big picture," while advancing positions both practical and compassionate to help his home state recover from</p>

	<p>recession and a tremendous loss of jobs." [News & Observer, 11/3/02]</p>
<p>Erskine Bowles put his experience to work with the North Carolina Rural Prosperity Task Force... to help communities too often forgotten... improve their quality of life... and bring good jobs to all North Carolina.</p>	<p>1999: Bowles chaired the North Carolina Rural Prosperity Task Force. In 1999, Governor Jim Hunt appointed Erskine Bowles to chair the North Carolina Rural Prosperity Task Force. The task force's recommendations led to the creation of a \$30 million private fund aimed at giving the entire state high-speed Internet access and the creation of the Rural Economic Opportunity Fund to provide capital for small businesses. [Bowles for Senate Web Page, About Erskine Bowles]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Task Force Credited With Improving Education, Economic Opportunities For Low-Wealth Counties. According to the <i>Charlotte Observer</i>, the Rural Prosperity Task Force is credited with producing "far-sighted recommendations for improving education and economic opportunities in low-wealth counties." [The Observer's Endorsements; Charlotte Observer, 9/10/02] ➤ Under Bowles Watch The Rural Prosperity Task Force Worked To Make Internet Affordable For Rural North Carolina. The Rural Prosperity Task Force recommended that rural parts of the state have high-speed, affordable Internet access. As head of the task force Bowles helped to negotiate this agreement. "In a few years, companies that can't do business on line will be disconnected from doing business with all of the Fortune 500 companies," Bowles said. "This agreement will ensure that all North Carolinians, regardless of where they live, will have equal access and equal opportunity for success." [Associated Press, 4/26/00] ➤ Task Force Made Economic Development Recommendations. In 1999 while Erskine Bowles chaired the Rural Prosperity Task Force, it studied a variety of low-wealth counties and made economic development recommendations ranging from improving Internet access, creating incentives for teachers to work at rural schools and created an investment banking program to aid faltering tobacco towns and stagnating textile barns. [Charlotte Observer, 3/22/02; Christian Science Monitor, 2/22/02] <p>Governor Jim Hunt Credited Bowles With Bringing New Companies, Jobs To North Carolina. In his 2002 endorsement of Erskine Bowles for US Senate, Governor Jim Hunt said, "We need a man up there who will remember us... This man is responsible for bringing new companies and jobs into North Carolina." [Associated Press, 7/31/04]</p>

Bowles will protect our jobs here... and eliminate tax breaks for companies that ship jobs overseas...

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Bowles Developed \$215 Billion Jobs Plan For North Carolina. Erskine Bowles' created a 10-year; \$215 billion plan to create jobs through tax incentives, public investments and a crackdown on illegal imports. [*Charlotte Observer*, 6/9/04]

- **Repeal Tax Breaks That Encourage Companies To Move Jobs Overseas:** Bowles' economic plan includes repealing tax breaks that encourage companies to move plants overseas; providing tax incentives for businesses that keep and create jobs in America, and helping companies provide affordable health care to employees. [*Charlotte Observer*, 3/26/04]
- **Double SBA Budget:** Bowles' economic plan would double the budget of the Small Business Administration, which he once led, to \$1.5 billion, and doubling the agency's venture capital program. [*Charlotte Observer*, 3/10/04]
- **Tax Credits To Small Business Employers & Employees For Health-Care Coverage:** Bowles' economic plan would give tax credits worth \$70 billion over 10 years to small business employers and employees for health-care coverage. [*Charlotte Observer*, 3/10/04]
- **Expand Tax Credits For Research & Development :** Bowles' economic plan would expand tax credits for business research and development. This would cost \$50 billion over 10 years. [*Charlotte Observer*, 3/10/04]
- **Enact Tobacco Buyout:** Bowles' economic plan would enact a federal buyout for the state's 10,000 tobacco farmers; a move he says would pump billions into the N.C. economy. [*Charlotte Observer*, 3/10/04]