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New Podcast Episode: The Long-term Debt Crisis and the State of the Economy

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In this episode of the AAF Exchange, AAF President Douglas Holtz-Eakin discusses a renewed interest in the United States' long-term debt crisis and an update on the state of the economy.

AAF products mentioned in today's episode:

- In "[The Progressive Mindset on Display](#)," Holtz-Eakin reviews the various strings attached to CHIPS and Science Act dollars.
- In "[Some Clarity on Inflation](#)," Holtz-Eakin walks through the data in the latest personal consumption expenditures report.
- In "[Disinflation and Dieting](#)," Holtz-Eakin walks through the latest consumer price index report.
- In "[Highlights of CBO's Update to the Budget and Economic Outlook for 2023–2033](#)," Director of Fiscal Policy Gordon Gray breaks down the key points of the Congressional Budget Office's Budget and Economic Outlook.
- In "[Is Budget Process Reform the Answer?](#)" Holtz-Eakin reviews the broken budget process and what impact reform could have.
- In "[Medicare Cut Mania](#)," Holtz-Eakin discusses a recent Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) payment regulation that would result in a \$540 decrease in benefits per member, per year.
- In "[Medicare Advantage and Cutting Medicare](#)," Holtz-Eakin explores how a recent CMS payment regulation would result in benefit decreases.
- In "[Medicare Cuts](#)," Health Care Policy Analyst Jackson Hammond discusses whether Medicare cuts are looming.

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