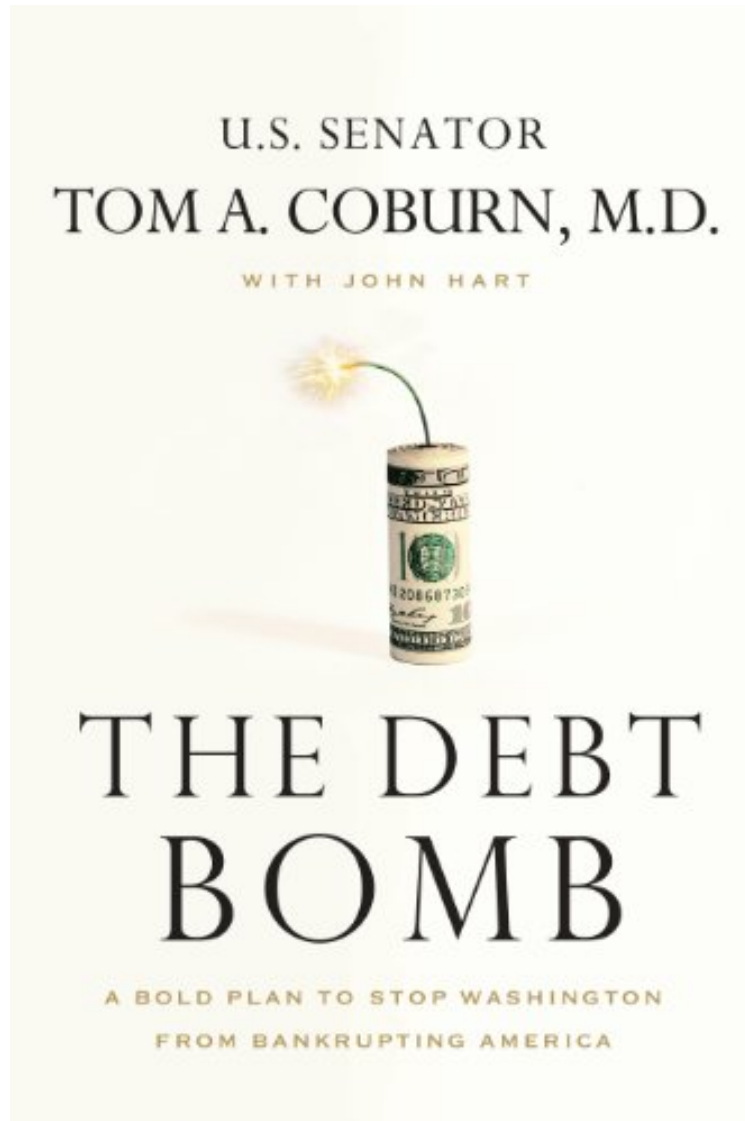


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good Overview of Our Debt Crisis By Alan Dale Daniel Senator Coburn's The Debt Bomb is a good overview of the debt problem that faces the USA and what steps are necessary to solve it. The debt crisis is real, and it will have a massively negative impact on our nation and its economy, and, thus,

the world as well. The 1929 Stock Market crash pulled the world into a massive economic crisis that led to the rise of Hitler, and other dictators, and WWII. The Great Depression's impacts went far beyond economic. The actions, or non-actions, of an economy as large as America's will have a world wide effect; and, that effect can go way beyond economic turmoil. Political change often goes right along with economic chaos, and a lot of times that change isn't good for the nation's involved or the world. Senator Coburn's book does not go deeply into the world wide mess that might evolve from a US debt default, nor does it address the world wide impact of China ruling the economic world because of a US debt debacle; however, the extrapolation is there for all to see. Our failure to solve our debt problems could easily lead to a US debt default, a withdrawal of the US from the world stage, and the rise of a totalitarian nation to take our place. There is NO free world economy or military that stands behind the USA. If we fail the free world fails. The fact that many in the USA view our system as corrupt and deserving of catastrophic collapse is bad enough. If that collapse actually happens those wishing for the worst may well see how important the US was in preserving not only the world economy but the traditions of freedom that have improved our world since 1945. A China or Russia, or a combination of the two, might not lead to a world of total darkness, but it will lead to a world where censorship is the norm and government born cronyism is the preferred business model. The problem is Senator Coburn expects the electorate to solve the problem by calling on their elected representatives to do their job and save the financial underpinnings of the country. While he points out the problems of professional politicians, et al, he actually has no real answers for the political class buying votes, a policy which is key to understanding our problems. As long as the politicians in DC can buy votes with other people's money they will continue to do so. The fact that they have not acted on this pressing debt problem for 20 plus years is ample proof they have no incentive to do anything that might kick them out of office. The power and prestige of holding office is too much to give up for these people who are all but worshiped by those around them. Who is going to willingly give up such a role? Only George Washington was willing to take that step, and without a Constitutional Amendment limiting the president to two terms, several others would have followed FDR into years and years of holding onto power in the White House. What the Senator does not admit is there is no answer. The Tea Party can't elect enough people to make a difference because too many people are on the dole. With nearly 50 percent of the population paying zero taxes, or getting money from the government, how can anyone break the corrupt bargain and lower spending? Look at California. After the Mexicans took over it is going bankrupt. Why? Because the people there expect the government to pay for everything and they want to pay zero into the government. Someone else has to pay, never the "lower class". What isn't going to be learned, in California or the US, is the "upper class" isn't very large and can't pay for everything and the middle class is being destroyed. The Welfare state will destroy everyone and everything we have, but the politicians do not care. Even as the nation crashes and burns they will say "it wasn't my fault" and drive away in their limousines to their vast estates to bask in the sun. It is a wonderful warning, but it will go totally unheeded. AD20 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Senator Coburn only tells the truth, a man that truly cares for this country. By Customer Senator Coburn is upfront and honest about the deficit and how raising the debt limit year after year is going to bankrupt the country. These economists that keep saying a huge deficit is good for the country never heard of Greece I guess. Senator Coburn was one of the only realists on capital hill, members of both parties disliked him for telling the truth in his waste books, putting pork on display for anyone to read about. Even though he was honestly a good friend of president Obama he would constantly call him out on budget issues. There is no one to take his place so far, just selfish politicians only interested in getting re elected or bringing pork home to their own state. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. enlightening view to the US nation debt problem brought by career politicians and corrupt government By Customer Tom Coburn, a republication congressman and senator, shares his opinion and experience about the US debt issue. Overspending by congress and the federal government is a ticking time bomb, and a great deal of overspending is done by career politicians to promote their short term self interest rather than addressing real problems of the US nation. I don't follow politics much, but I believe that Mr. Coburn is honest and to the point, as he accurately demonstrates that the debt issue is caused by both republicans and democrats, and his book is not a self promotion or bashing his political rivals. Mr. Coburn presents the issues and potential solutions that most politicians choose to ignore in order to stay in power.

In a nation whose debt has outgrown the size of its entire economy, the greatest threat comes not from any foreign force but from Washington politicians who refuse to relinquish the intoxicating power to borrow and spend. Senator Tom Coburn reveals the fascinating, maddening story of how we got to this point of fiscal crisis and how we can escape. Long before America's recent economic downturn, beltway politicians knew the U.S. was going bankrupt. Yet even after several so-called "change" elections, the government has continued its wasteful ways in the face of imminent danger. With passion and clarity, Coburn explains why Washington resists change so fiercely and offers controversial yet commonsense solutions to secure the nation's future. At a time when millions of Americans are speculating about what is broken in Washington, *The Debt Bomb* is a candid, thoughtful, non-partisan expose of the real problems inside our government. Coburn challenges the conventional wisdom that blames lobbyists, gridlock, and obstructionism, and places the responsibility squarely where it belongs: on members of Congress in both parties who won't let go of the perks of power to serve the true interests of the

nation—unless enough citizens take bold steps to demand action. “Democracy never lasts long. It soon wastes, exhausts, and murders itself. There was never a democracy yet that did not commit suicide.” —John Adams

Throughout a distinguished career as a business owner, physician, and U.S. senator, Tom Coburn has watched his beloved republic careen down a suicidal path. Today, the nation stands on the precipice of financial ruin, a disaster far more dangerous to our safety than any terrorist threats we face. Yet Coburn believes there is still hope—if enough Americans are willing to shake the corridors of Washington and demand action. With an insider’s keen eye and a caregiver’s deft touch, Coburn diagnoses the mess that career politicians have made of things while misusing their sacred charge to govern. Coburn’s incisive analysis: Reveals the root causes of America’s escalating financial crisis Exposes Washington’s destructive appetite for wasteful spending, power grabs, backroom deals, and quick non-fixes Rises above partisanship to implicate elected officials of all stripes in steering the nation off course Lays out a commonsense guide to restoring order Concludes with a clarion call and sound advice for Americans who would dedicate themselves to defusing the debt bomb Above all, Coburn believes the United States can continue as a beacon of opportunity for future generations—but how we act today will determine whether we deliver the nation to our children and grandchildren fully alive, on life support, or without a pulse.