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Retirees' lost benefits

As a retiree from Lucent Technologies, I read with much interest the article on disappearing health coverage ["Broken Promises," April]. When I got to the sidebar "What You Can Do to Protect Yourself," I could not believe what I was reading. Instead of suggesting that retirees write to Congress expressing their concern and asking for legislation to help stop this rape of millions, the answer was to get a part-time job, save more, sue or stay well!

First, most retirees are not able to go back to work. That is why we retired in the first place. Second, where would most of us get the money to try and sue a million-dollar corporation? Third, how can we save with the cost of medicines, gas and everything else going up and up? And as for staying well ... good luck, and what happens if we don't?

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