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### Abstract

Many proposals for addressing the long-term issues of Social Security involve benefit reductions both in Disability Insurance and in Old Age and Survivors Insurance. However, the proposals in the papers that follow in this symposium do not alter the long-term financial balance of Disability Insurance, and instead focus on the Old Age

and Survivors Insurance program. Thus, the discussion in this introduction will also

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