Congressional Budget Office Report on the Minimum Wage

Remember when Republicans misrepresented the Congressional Budget Office report by trying to claim that the report said raising the minimum wage would result in 500,000 lost jobs?

Since Republicans had to know that it would soon be pointed out that they had misrepresented the report ... why did they do it?

Why take a position they couldn't win, and which could only end up with them standing there with egg on their faces?

Think.

Why?

The only reason that they would embarrass themselves was because they had to hide the conclusions in the report that they didn't want people to know about:

1) CBO finds that raising the minimum wage to $10.10 per hour

would directly benefit 16.5 million workers.

2) CBO finds that raising the minimum wage would increase

income for millions of middle-class families, on net, even

after accounting for its estimates of job losses.

3) CBO also found that raising the minimum wage would lift

900,000 people out of poverty.

Now you know why the Republicans were willing to have their faces splattered with eggs - it was a distraction meant to hide the conclusions of the report ... conclusions they never mentioned.

(By the way, notice how well it worked? They achieved their goal of focusing all attention on their lie, and away from the conclusions they were desperately trying to hide).