

## **The Controversial Truth: Episode 5 show notes:**

**8/3/12**

### **If it ain't broke, hire the government to break it**

Dave and Robb discuss government involvement in food supply and production (subsidies and FDA), education and curriculum (public schools and unions), and retirement planning (Social Security). Where would America be if government wasn't so involved in these segments of our society? What can we do to help "fix" these issues and move forward?

### **Food and Food supply:**

New York post article on food subsidies:

[http://www.nypost.com/p/news/opinion/opedcolumnists/how\\_uncle\\_sam\\_making\\_us\\_fat\\_4t8P5WN7jXJapC5wxg61uN](http://www.nypost.com/p/news/opinion/opedcolumnists/how_uncle_sam_making_us_fat_4t8P5WN7jXJapC5wxg61uN)

Corn prices soar:

<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052702303292204577517181109756756.html>

King Corn documentary:

[http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb\\_sb\\_ss\\_c\\_0\\_9?url=search-alias%3Dmovies-tv&field-keywords=king+corn&srefix=king+corn%2Caps%2C169](http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb_sb_ss_c_0_9?url=search-alias%3Dmovies-tv&field-keywords=king+corn&srefix=king+corn%2Caps%2C169)

Healthy Competition book:

[http://www.amazon.com/Healthy-Competition-Whats-Holding-Health/dp/1933995106/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1344007288&sr=1-1&keywords=healthy+competition](http://www.amazon.com/Healthy-Competition-Whats-Holding-Health/dp/1933995106/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1344007288&sr=1-1&keywords=healthy+competition)

### **Education:**

Where does the US rank on education?

[http://putourkidsfirst.com/kidsfirst/education\\_ratings\\_US.asp](http://putourkidsfirst.com/kidsfirst/education_ratings_US.asp)

Peter Thiel's "don't go to college":

<http://venturebeat.com/2011/11/21/peter-thiel-fellowship/>

Tiger mom's:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle\\_Hymn\\_of\\_the\\_Tiger\\_Mother](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_Hymn_of_the_Tiger_Mother)

Cartoon on parent versus teachers

<http://www.google.com/imgres?imgurl=http://pamelasthoughts.files.wordpress.com/2011/02/grades-cartoon2.jpg&imgrefurl=http://pamelasthoughts.wordpress.com/2011/02/07/the-blame-game/&h=338&w=600&sz=48&tbnid=Rp8YGcop0slHZM:&tbnh=68&tbnw=120&zoom=1&usq=LrU8NqQYoZVMPf5eYXa5ARm2OeY=&docid=ARvq-TtbgeIQUM&hl=en&sa=X&ei=IO8bUMaSLonh0QGbxoAg&ved=0CGMQ9QEwAg&dur=276>

What is the value of entitlements for a US household...are they too good?

<http://www.cato.org/research/pr-nd-st.html>

Trucking jobs open, no takers:

<http://money.cnn.com/2012/07/24/news/economy/trucking-jobs/index.htm?iid=Lead>

### **Social Security and retirement:**

Everyone a Millionaire video: What would happen if YOU could invest your Social Security \$\$\$

<http://libertycrier.com/finance/everyone-a-millionaire-social-security-vs-private-retirement/>

### **What the government gets right...**

Public Health in the US:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Public\\_health](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Public_health)

Fluoride in water supply:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Water\\_fluoridation\\_in\\_the\\_United\\_States](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Water_fluoridation_in_the_United_States)