

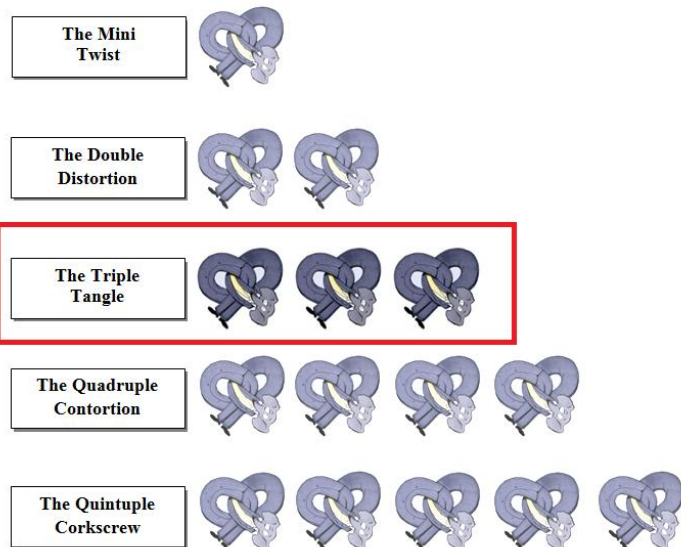


Republicans Endorse Recycling

House Republicans have announced that this will be the House's last week in Washington before the November elections. And how will we spend our time this week? Will we consider a comprehensive, bipartisan jobs package? A middle-class tax cut that the Senate, House Democrats, and the President support? The farm bill? Or maybe a bipartisan replacement for the looming sequester?

Nope. It's a package of regurgitated anti-environment bills that have already passed the House. I guess Republican Leadership has finally realized the value of recycling!

The Scale of Distortion



They seem to have settled on a new legislative strategy – re-package and re-pass the same extreme bills over and over again, and hope no one will notice. Remember the 33 votes to repeal Obamacare?

Maybe they believe that the new packaging will fool the Senate into passing these extreme bills this time around!

For their clever strategy of “maybe-the-Senate-won't-notice-this-is-the-same-failed-legislation-we-already-sent-them-last-year,” and for continuing to play a game of chicken when it comes to the nation's economy, **we award the Republicans three pretzels – the ever-popular:**

“Triple Tangle”

“Grand Old Pretzels” is a ranking system designed by the Rules Committee Democrats to provide simple insight into complicated tricks. Through a ranking of 1-5, we will rate the level of contortion House Republicans will go through to twist their no-compromise agenda through the House. The more contortions, the more Pretzels they will receive.