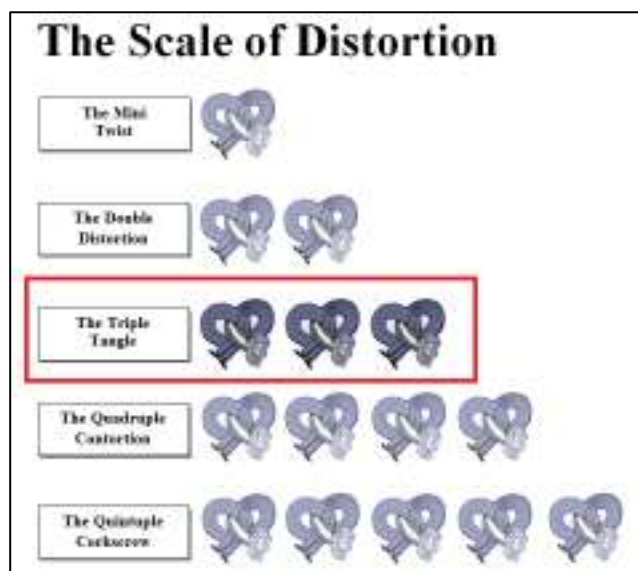




**With only days left to avert a national Transportation shutdown, House Republicans are once again bending over backwards to avoid bipartisan compromise.**

The bipartisan Senate-passed Highway bill stands ready to create jobs, give certainty to Americans, and rebuild our crumbling infrastructure. Instead of allowing the House to even consider it, the House Majority is blocking the Senate bill and twisting itself into knots to keep a partisan bill on life support.

To avoid bipartisanship at all costs, in just the last week House Republicans introduced a 90-day extension, amended it to 60 days, pulled the vote on it, introduced a new 60-day version, then introduced a second 90-day version which they sent to the floor under **emergency procedures**. They even gave themselves the ability to change their mind and consider a mystery bill without a day for Members to read it.



We have already seen Speaker Boehner's first failed attempt to move a partisan Highway bill back in February - the 1,000 page "[Frankenbill](#)". Six weeks later, they still can't round up the votes to advance their partisan approach. Rather than working on a bipartisan solution, they have spent the entire week squabbling with themselves on whether to kick the can down the road for **60 days or 90 days!**

As the [clock](#) ticks on extending the nation's highway funding, the bipartisan Senate transportation bill **STILL** remains untouched by the House Majority.

For their death-defying ability to avoid compromise at all costs, we give the House GOP **THREE** "Grand Old Pretzels," or the Triple Tangle.

Congratulations House Republicans!

*"Grand Old Pretzels" is a ranking system 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.*