

WE THE PEOPLE
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Dear Senator Hagan,

Democrats have continuously criticized opponents of their healthcare plan as not having a plan to fix healthcare. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Opponents of HR3200 have suggested several plans designed to rectify many of the problems in our healthcare system. In fact Senate bill S1099(Repub. Bill) was killed in committee 13-10 with a straight party line vote. What we oppose is the nationalization of our healthcare system, which provides the best medical care in the world. **Let us be very clear, we will accept no co-op, public option or any open crack in the system that allows a public option over time. There are no shades of gray here.**

Our plan does not turn the entire system upside down. We propose to fix perceived problems before doing anything else and that the fixes be given enough time to judge their effectiveness. With due diligence the following will correct these problems:

- Reduce fraud, waste, and inefficiencies in Medicare and Medicaid. This could save upwards of \$100 Billion annually.
- Tort reform is a must, despite the trial lawyers contributions to the Democrat party. Save another \$30 Billion in additional costs to Doctors and Hospitals. It would also reduce the costs of defensive medicine practiced by many physicians.
- Change the tax code. Allow individual ownership of healthcare policies by giving individuals the same tax credits that companies now receive.
- Allow the purchase of healthcare policies across state lines.
- Expand medical savings accounts for individuals.
- Remove coverage for illegal aliens except for true emergency treatment.
- Support Retail health Clinics
- Provide vouchers for the Working poor and Chronically ill.
- Why can't Cobra be indefinite instead of the 18 month limit? The insured pays for it and there is no cost to government.

All of these measures and more can be done as improvements of the current system without turning everything over to the government. There is too much government in the system now and that is part of the current problem. So, adding more government will not be the solution. We cannot pay for a government run option! There is no more money!

One final suggestion, if you would propose the adoption by Congress of any plan passed by Congress, it would go a long way to show that you are leading by example. How else will you know if it is an effective plan than if you yourself are a part of it? Another example is Social Security. You don't have to rely on that bankrupt program and if Congress were a part of it, I bet they would be doing a lot to fix it.

Sincerely,
We The People, Brunswick Co, NC
300+ members strong and growing!