

defund Obamacare. Most of America doesn't want it and I can't afford it!

Please listen to your constituents! Thank you for your time.

GARY BAILEY.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. DENHAM asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, all we are asking is the President keeps his word. I have got hundreds of letters now from constituents from all across my entire district.

Nate from Oakdale says:

Before the Affordable Care Act, our health coverage was \$279 a month for me and my wife. We recently got a letter in the mail stating that our plan is no longer available due to the Affordable Care Act and that our premium will be \$434.60 a month, an increase of \$155.60.

Tom from Ceres says:

Farm Bureau has informed me that my med insurance will be canceled in January 2014. My premium will increase 170 percent for now.

Valerie from Denair:

My policy was canceled. In shopping for a new plan, I see that my monthly cost will at least triple for inferior coverage.

These lists go on and on and on.

Dawn from Turlock says:

I just received a letter today from my health care provider, and they have notified us our health care insurance has just doubled.

We owe it to the American people that this does not go on any longer. The President needs to fulfill his promise.

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(Mr. WENSTRUP asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WENSTRUP. Mr. Speaker, I rise to give voice to my constituents. While I would expect that ObamaCare's thousands of pages would help at least a handful of people, a sampling of mail coming into any office lets me know that help by the Affordable Care Act is rare.

Steve from Greenfield says he and his wife are in good health with current insurance costing \$485 a month. Under ObamaCare, that goes to roughly \$1,150 a month, a 237 percent increase.

June from Batavia received a letter from UnitedHealthcare. They are discontinuing coverage for most of her family's doctors. And while she says she can handle it, it will be a problem for her husband. He has stage 4 kidney disease and is on dialysis and will soon not have his doctors.

Don from Loveland says:

If the Affordable Care Act is allowed to stand, my family will have to come up with an extra \$6,600 next year. We can't afford that.

Mr. Speaker, from what I am seeing, stress and anxiety are becoming an increasingly common diagnosis, all due

to ObamaCare. The Web site isn't the only problem, Mr. Speaker, the law is the problem.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. MESSER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, once again today the President said to the American people, if you like your health care plan, you can keep it—at least for 1 more year, if you're lucky. The problem is saying something many times does not magically make it come true.

Right now, only 701 people in the State of Indiana have been able to sign up for insurance through the Affordable Care Act exchanges. According to the Indiana Department of Insurance, more than 108,000 Hoosiers will receive or have received cancellation letters.

One of those people is Michael Sturgis of Greensburg. He called my office after receiving a cancellation letter from his insurance company. Michael was told his monthly premium was going to increase from \$397 a month to \$831 a month. His \$5,000 deductible will go up to \$7,300.

That is unacceptable, and it is certainly not affordable. That is why we need to pass H.R. 3350, the Keep Your Health Plan Act of 2013, and let the American people remain in charge of their health care.

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OBAMACARE

(Mr. STUTZMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STUTZMAN. Mr. Speaker, millions of Americans find themselves in the heartbreaking situation of losing their health care plans thanks to a broken promise that the White House is not scrambling to try and fix.

Hoosiers like Jared from Woodburn, Indiana, were told that they could keep their plans. Unfortunately, Jared found this cancellation letter in his mailbox on September 23. He is just one of the more than 3.5 million Americans who lost coverage under ObamaCare.

For Jared, the timing couldn't have been worse. In the middle of selling their home and making an offer on another, Jared, his wife, and 1-year-old son were hit with a cancellation letter and the real possibility that their health care costs will become unaffordable.

President Obama's health care law is hurting Hoosiers. If he is serious about helping Americans like Jared, he should start by keeping his promise and signing the Keep Your Health Plan Act as soon as it is passed.

Enough is enough.

ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD,
San Antonio, TX, September 23, 2013.

DEAR JARED SCHORTGEN: Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield is discontinuing your

individual health benefit plan because it doesn't meet all the requirements of the new health care reform laws (also called the Affordable Care Act). As a convenience to you, we're transitioning you to a health care reform compliant plan upon your renewal date. Your current individual health benefit plan will remain in effect until 01-Jan, 2014.

Don't worry, we've got options for you! We've selected a new plan for you that meets the new requirements. This new plan, ANTHEM CORE DIRECTACCESS WITH HSA-CABP is available at \$669.82. You don't need to do anything; you will automatically transition into your new individual health benefit plan. For additional plan details and to view a copy of the Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) go to sbc.anthem.com/dps/CCD0S6M.

Or, we can help you choose a different plan. Just talk to your Anthem agent, go to anthem.com and click "Changemycoverage", or call a Health Plan Advisor at 855-809-2879 to find a plan that's right for you. You may choose any of the health care reform compliant individual health benefit plans that we offer.

You can also check into whether you're eligible for a government subsidy to help you pay for your health coverage. If you are, you could buy an Anthem plan on the government-run Health Insurance Marketplace (also called the "exchange").

Your current individual health benefit plan is still in effect until 01-Jan, 2014. If you choose to automatically move into the plan we selected for you, payment of the new premium will be considered acceptance into your new plan, ANTHEM CORE DIRECTACCESS WITH HSA-CABP at \$669.82. If your premium is currently withdrawn electronically from your account this will continue upon your transition. If you have questions, please call your Anthem agent or Health Plan Advisor team at 855-809-2879. Representatives are here Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Eastern time.

Sincerely,

ROBERT W. HILLMAN, CLU,
President and General Manager,
Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. LAMBORN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LAMBORN. Mr. Speaker, my office has been flooded with constituents calling to share their Obama horror story.

Take Nicole Butler, for instance, a constituent of mine living in Colorado Springs and a mother of three children. Her family's Humana insurance plan was canceled because it was deemed insufficient under ObamaCare. She is currently paying \$431 per month for what is, in her words, a great plan. She and her husband are insuring their family of five within a tight budget. The cheapest ObamaCare plan she could find would cost her family \$1,003 per month in premiums, more than twice as much. This is the same story for 250,000 other Colorado families who have been canceled.

Mr. Speaker, the American people took our President at his word when he said "If you like your plan, you can keep it."

I look forward to legislation which will give relief to families in Colorado and all over this country.