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WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Congressman Mike Pence delivered the following remarks today on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives in opposition to the Democrats' latest plan for a government takeover of health care:

"This is a remarkable moment in the life of our nation. After years of runaway federal spending, deficits, debt, borrowing, bailouts and takeovers, against the opposition of a clear majority of the American people, the Democrats in Congress and in this administration are prepared to ram through a \$1 trillion government takeover of health care.

"It's just hard to believe. Ignoring the will of the American people, twisting the rules of the House and the Senate into a pretzel, we are headed for a showdown this weekend. But I got to tell you, I like our chances.

"The reason House Democrats don't have the votes is because the American people know this is a government takeover of health care. Mandating that every American purchase health insurance whether they want it or need it or not, passing hundreds of billions of dollars in job-killing tax increases, providing public funding for abortions, and setting into motion government-run insurance that will cost millions to lose the insurance they have is a government takeover of health care.

"Let's have the debate. A minority in Congress plus the American people equals a majority. America, we can win this fight."