

"I support commonsense solutions to make health care more affordable, reduce the number of uninsured Americans, and increase quality at a price our country can afford-- while making sure that Americans who like their health care coverage can keep it."

--Congressman Mike Pence

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is flawed in many ways, and I support, and have voted for, its full repeal. I am deeply concerned about the amount of federal spending provided for in this law and its potential to significantly threaten our nation's long-term fiscal solvency. The tax increases needed to fund its provisions will have a devastating effect on the ability of businesses, large and small, to retain employees during this time of financial instability. In Indiana, especially, the tax on medical devices will have a profound negative economic impact, and I support repeal of this tax. The individual mandate component of the law represents a new level of government intrusion into the lives of all Americans, which I believe to be well outside the bounds of the U.S. Constitution.

We can do better. I am confident that we can bring about a series of health reforms to improve health care for all Americans. Allowing patients to purchase insurance across state lines, strengthening Health Savings Accounts, and instituting comprehensive medical liability reform are all ways in which we can reduce costs and expand access to health insurance without a government takeover of health care.

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