

MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested PartiesFR: Save My CareDT: March 15, 2017

RE: New Polls in Alaska, Arizona, Maine, and Nevada Show Perils for GOP of Repeal

Bill

New polling in Alaska, Arizona, Maine, and Nevada makes clear the public opposition to the House repeal bill and the danger voting for this bill poses for GOP members of the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate. Public Policy Polling conducted surveys in all four states between March 10 and 12 - prior to the bombshell analysis from the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office was released. The surveys find:

- Support for the position of repealing the Affordable Care Act and starting over is weak 36% (AK), 37% (AZ), 34% (ME), 31% (NV).
- People would be less likely to vote for someone who voted for repeal 49% (AK), 52% (AZ), 56% (ME), 59% (NV).
- Strong intensity of opposition to the GOP's repeal bill known as the American Health Care Act (AHCA).
 - o Alaska: 49% unfavorable with 37% very unfavorable.
 - o Arizona: 55% unfavorable with 41% very unfavorable.
 - o Maine: 57% unfavorable with 44% very unfavorable.
 - Nevada; 57% unfavorable with 45% very unfavorable.
- People have strong reaction to Members of Congress who vote for the GOP's repeal bill
 - Alaska: 53% of people less likely to support, 44% much less likely.
 - o Arizona: 57% of people less likely to support, 47% much less likely.
 - o Maine: 59% of people less likely to support, 45% much less likely
 - Nevada: 65% of people less likely to support, 53% much less likely.
- People strongly oppose a bill that lets insurance companies charge older Americans 5 times more than younger people - that AARP has labeled the Age Tax.
 - Alaska: 67% of people strongly oppose and 83% oppose overall
 - o Arizona: 66% of people strongly oppose and 83% oppose overall
 - o Maine: 70% of people strongly oppose and 84% oppose overall
 - Nevada; 71% of people strongly oppose and 82% oppose overall
- People strongly oppose a bill that gives tax breaks to insurance companies for their CEO salaries over \$500,000 and other tax cuts for the wealthy.
 - o Alaska: 72% strongly oppose and 81% oppose overall
 - o Arizona: 73% strongly oppose and 82% oppose overall
 - o Maine: 74% strongly oppose and 83% oppose overall

o Nevada; 70% strongly oppose - and 79% oppose overall

The state-by-state polling also shows strong opposition to any Member who votes in favor of a bill that would hike premiums as much as 15-20% in the next two years, that slashes Medicaid funding to fight the opioid crisis, that ends the Medicaid expansion and that would drop coverage for 24 million Americans. Each element is unpopular overall with strong intensity of opposition and significant opposition among key demographics including Independents and seniors.

Read the state specific data here: Alaska, Arizona, Maine and Nevada.

The question is whether Alaska, Arizona, Maine and Nevada's Congressional delegations are listening?