

MEMORANDUM

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES

FR: Save My Care

RE: Health Care Polling in Nevada, Alaska and West Virginia

DT: June 19, 2017

Public Policy Polling (PPP) conducted three polls in states where the Senator is a deciding vote for Senate Republicans in whether they pass health care repeal. The polling in [Nevada](#), [West Virginia](#) and [Alaska](#), all show how incredibly toxic the health care repeal is in these states. The public is rejecting the key elements of the bill and the way they're going about passing it.

First, the health care repeal plan known as the American Health Care Act is deeply unpopular. We have seen this in national polling but have it confirmed in these three critical states:

In Nevada: only 31% of voters approve of AHCA with only 34% approval among independents and only 61% of Trump voters support it.

In Alaska: only 29% of voters approve of AHCA with only 17% approval among independents and only 59% of Trump voters support it.

In West Virginia: only 35% of voters approve of AHCA with only 27% approval among independents and only 50% of Trump voters support it.

More importantly, voters aren't just opposed to the health care repeal bill, it will be a deciding factor in how they vote. In Nevada, 45% of people said Senator Heller supporting a bill like this would make them less likely to support him; In Alaska, 49% said that about Senator Murkowski's support; and, in West Virginia, 36% said that about Senator Capito's support.

While the Republican repeal bill is widely opposed, the way they're forcing it through in secret is going to make the backlash even worse. There is deep and intensive outrage about the secret, closed-door, Republicans-only approach that the Senate is taking to repealing health care.

On passing the bill without any public hearings: 57% of voters in Nevada have very serious concerns, including 55% with independents. In Alaska, 60% have very serious concerns including 69% among independents; and, in West Virginia, 53% have very serious concerns including 58% among independents.

On passing the bill without bipartisan support: 52% of voters in Nevada have very serious concerns, including 46% among independents. In Alaska, 52% have very serious concerns including 63% among independents; and, in West Virginia, 46% have very serious concerns including 50% among independents.

On not having time to read and understand the bill: 61% in Nevada have very serious concerns, including 50% among independents. In Alaska, 62% have very serious concerns including 71% among independents; and, in West Virginia, 59% have very serious concerns including 67% among independents.

Concerns about the way Republicans are rushing this secret bill through the Senate aren't only with Democrats or independents - they're with Trump voters too.

Among Nevada Trump Voters: 55% have either very serious or somewhat serious concerns about the lack of public hearings and 55% have either very serious or somewhat serious concerns about lacking time to read and understand the bill.

Among Alaska Trump Voters: 57% have either very serious or somewhat serious concerns about the lack of public hearings and 52% have either very serious or somewhat serious concerns about lacking time to read and understand the bill.

Among West Virginia Trump Voters: 68% of Trump voters have either very serious or somewhat serious concerns about the lack of public hearings and 67% have either very serious or somewhat serious concerns about lacking time to read and understand the bill.

And, as we have consistently seen throughout the health care repeal debate this year, voters are overwhelmingly opposed to the key elements of what these plans would do.

On ending Medicaid expansion and cutting Medicaid:

- 59% of Nevada voters voters have very serious concerns including 52% of independents and even 27% of Trump voters;
- 61% of Alaska voters voters have very serious concerns including 69% of independents and even 29% of Trump voters;
- 60% of West Virginia voters voters have very serious concerns including 58% of independents and even 45% of Trump voters;

On ending the guarantee of some basic services - known as the essential health benefits:

- 62% of Nevada voters have very serious concerns including 51% of independents and even 34% of Trump voters;
- 62% of Alaska voters have very serious concerns including 71% of independents and even 34% of Trump voters;
- 64% of West Virginia voters have very serious concerns including 60% of independents and even 51% of Trump voters;

On the fact that repeal bills will raise costs and include the age tax:

- 67% of Nevada voters have very serious concerns including 54% of independents and even 41% of Trump voters;
- 67% of Alaska voters have very serious concerns including 77% of independents and even 39% of Trump voters;
- 73% of West Virginia voters have very serious concerns including 73% of independents and even 63% of Trump voters;

On the tax break that are part of the plan:

- 62% of Nevada voters have very serious concerns including 57% of independents and even 32% of Trump voters.
- 67% of Alaska voters have very serious concerns including 74% of independents and even 39% of Trump voters;

- 68% of West Virginia voters have very serious concerns including 66% of independents and even 56% of Trump voters;

METHODOLOGY

Public Policy Polling surveyed 706 voters in Nevada, 963 voters in Alaska and 762 voters in West Virginia from June 13 - 14. 80% of participants, selected through a listed based sample, responded via phone while 20% of respondents who did not have landlines conducted the survey over the internet through an opt-in internet panel.