

health insurer would incur for disobeying it has not changed either.

The President has cruelly given people false hope while severely damaging the fundamental concept that separates democracy from despotism, the rule of law.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair reminds Members to refrain from making improper references to the President.

THE PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT

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

Mr. MCNERNEY. Mr. Speaker, I stand in support of the wind power industry and the Production Tax Credit. The PTC has been instrumental in helping create jobs. The wind industry now supports 80,000 American jobs in 44 States.

Last week, a bipartisan Governors' Wind Energy Coalition wrote to the leaders of both Chambers of Congress asking for a multiyear extension of the PTC. They confirmed that, due to the delayed extension of PTC in 2013, only one wind turbine was installed in the first 6 months of this year, a 99 percent decrease from the \$25 billion invested in 2012.

A year and a half ago, the American Wind Energy Association commissioned a report that found a 4-year extension of the PTC would secure some 54,000 jobs. The PTC expiration has resulted in an average 81 percent decrease in wind energy installations.

Democrats and Republicans have repeatedly come together to extend the PTC. That cooperation is needed again.

I urge my colleagues to support American jobs by supporting a multiyear extension of the Production Tax Credit.

CONGRATULATING ILLINOIS STATE CHAMPION EDWARDSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' SOCCER TEAM

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

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, today I rise and stand here on behalf of my colleague and friend, JOHN SHIMKUS, to congratulate the Edwardsville High School boys' soccer team for winning the IHSA State Championship for the second time in school history.

The team, led by Coach Mark Heiderscheid, had a rough stretch in its season, going 0-2-2, but the team persevered and ended the season on a 15-game winning streak to become State champions.

Last week, in the semifinals, the Tigers came back to stun tournament favorite Naperville Central by scoring three goals in a 12-minute span to win 3-1.

In the finals against Wheeling, Edwardsville was led by its tough defense and held on for a thrilling 2-1 win to be crowned State champions.

So congratulations to the players, coaches, and families of Edwardsville High School boys' soccer team, and best of luck for a repeat next year. Go Tigers.

THE BIOFUELS DEVELOPMENT ACT

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

Mr. ENYART. Mr. Speaker, when I was elected to Congress, I pledged to my constituents I would come to Washington to be a problem-solver and offer solutions. In this spirit, I introduced the Biofuels Development Act. This legislation will create American jobs and reduce our dependence on foreign oil.

The goal is simple: establish a \$25 million pilot program for the Air Force to make competitive grants supporting research and development, education, and training to produce bio-based aviation fuel for use by the Air Force.

In addition, this initiative is paid for—I repeat, paid for—using unobligated funds from the Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund.

In southern Illinois, the potential for this approach is tremendous. My district is home to a vibrant agricultural economy, as well as Scott Air Force Base. If this legislation became law, a great partnership between those two communities would produce tremendous results, with a positive ripple effect throughout the local and national economy.

It is high time for this body to focus on rebuilding our economy, putting Americans back to work. I urge my colleagues to join me in support of this important legislation.

OBAMACARE HURTS VETERANS

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

Mr. BROOKS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, America's veterans protect America and our liberties, which begs the question, does ObamaCare keep our promises and obligations to veterans?

Marcus Langford, a veteran from Huntsville, Alabama, wrote me the following:

I am a married father of two and a disabled vet after three tours in Iraq and over 2 years in Afghanistan supporting our military. My health care costs are \$399 a month, but because of the Affordable Health Care Act, my bill will go up to \$741 a month as of January 2014.

Mr. Speaker, America's veterans deserve better than the 60 percent increase in health care costs that the White House and its Democrat congressional allies obstinately impose on hardworking Americans like Marcus Langford.

The way to do better is to repeal ObamaCare so that America can debate health care solutions based on truth, not deception.

YET ANOTHER GOP REPEAL VOTE IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING

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

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, Republicans are at it again. Instead of working together with Democrats and agreeing to a plan that will actually help improve the Affordable Care Act, they are once again planning another vote to repeal the law.

Don't buy into the GOP spin that they are offering a solution to address the insurance policies that have not been renewed by insurance companies.

The President announced yesterday that he is offering an administrative solution that will allow insurers to continue to renew existing policies. The President has made clear that he is willing to work to address the ACA's challenges. Yet, Republicans are working to destroy it once again.

They can try to paint this plan in a different color, call it by a different name, and dress it up any way they like, but don't be fooled: this is just the 46th Republican attempt to strip Americans of their access to affordable health insurance.

OBAMACARE CANCELATIONS

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

Mr. HOLDING. Mr. Speaker, I rise to share a story from a constituent of mine in Cary, North Carolina, about the real impact that ObamaCare has had on him and his family.

He is an independent businessman, diagnosed with leukemia, and he wrote that his income has fluctuated in recent years because the disease limits his work capacity. Medical costs have skyrocketed for his chemotherapy and other treatment but have been well covered by his current provider.

Mr. Speaker, after about 10 years of care under the same health care plan, he received a notice that his current policy covering his family of four is being terminated. The ObamaCare-compliant approved replacement plan will increase their premium by about 77 percent, or \$9,000 per year. This is a serious financial challenge for them, and they may have to sell their home.

Mr. Speaker, after everything this man has already been through, he now has to deal with the frustration and uncertainty of this administration's back-and-forth policy. This is not what he and the American people were promised by the President, and it is simply unacceptable.

THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, one of my colleagues this morning talked about creating jobs, and I am delighted to be one of those who saw and advocated in the Affordable Care Act the expansion of service and use on behalf of the American people.

First, as a woman, let me say for women, the Affordable Care Act will take away forever this dastardly assessment that pregnancy was a pre-existing disease. The lifetime caps will be removed for women. The costs are going down for women. In fact, a small business owner indicated that she was going to save \$10,000 on her insurance.

This creates jobs, scholarships for medical professionals, doctors, nurses, and expands the federally-qualified clinics.

The Affordable Care Act is here to stay, with consumer protection that will provide for the right kind of health care for the American people.

Don't be fooled. It is going to be the civil rights legislation of the 21st century: women given dignity, children provided health care, seniors not denied health care.

I am delighted that this particular legislation is going to be what we desired it to be: civil rights and health care for all Americans.

OBAMACARE

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

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, the President said something interesting when describing the attempt of his administration to have an impact, and when describing his frustration with the Federal Government, he described it this way. He said, It is cumbersome, complicated, and outdated.

Well, isn't that an interesting revelation?

Isn't that a stark contrast with the private sector?

Wouldn't it have been helpful if the President had recognized that during the entire debate on ObamaCare, because here is the irony, and it is a dark, sad irony, and it is this.

I have a constituent named Diane whose coverage has jumped from \$368 a month, and it has almost doubled. She was told her coverage is gone, based on ObamaCare, and she is being migrated into a new system. This is an 11-year breast cancer survivor that liked her coverage and no longer has it.

She doesn't want an administrative remedy. She wants a legislative remedy. She has confidence in this House to get it done, not the White House to get it done.

We need to do this work. We need to pass the Upton bill today.

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KEEP YOUR HEALTH PLAN ACT OF 2013

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 413 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 413

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 3350) to authorize health insurance issuers to continue to offer for sale current individual health insurance coverage in satisfaction of the minimum essential health insurance coverage requirement, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and on any amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce; and (2) one motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Texas is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MCGOVERN), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 413 provides for consideration of H.R. 3350, the Keep Your Plan Act of 2013. The rule provides for 1 hour of debate controlled by the Committee on Energy and Commerce, equally divided between the majority and the minority. Because the bill addresses a targeted emergency situation caused by the lack of foresight in the Affordable Care Act, namely, the cancellation of millions of existing health insurance plans despite repeated promises to the contrary, because of that, the rule makes no amendments in order. However, the minority is afforded the customary opportunity to offer one motion to recommit, should they so choose.

This is a fair rule to allow us to give some relief to Americans who actually want to keep their health insurance plan but are being told that because of the Affordable Care Act, they may not.

We are now 6 weeks into the disastrous launch of the President's signature health care law, and more and more problems are uncovered with each succeeding day. It seems that the

President has quickly forgotten all of the promises made over the past 4 years to the American people about this law.

In 2009, in a speech before the American Medical Association, President Obama stated:

We will keep this promise to the American people: if you like your doctor, you will be able to keep your doctor, period. If you like your health care plan, you'll be able to keep your health care plan, period. No one will take it away, no matter what.

At the end of September, the President said:

The first thing you need to know is this: if you already have health care, you don't have to do anything.

Americans from across the country, from across the ideological spectrum agree that President Obama has broken his fundamental promise. And now his attempts to reconcile this broken promise only serve to bring further confusion and chaos.

Today, H.R. 3350 offers a real solution. The bill would allow plans available on the individual market today to be offered in calendar year 2014. It would provide millions of Americans the opportunity to keep their health care plan in 2014. The bill would also ensure that Americans keeping their plans would not face a penalty under ObamaCare's individual mandate.

Mr. Speaker, I have heard from constituents about the problems that they have faced because of the President's law. A Texan from Flower Mound, Texas, recently wrote me about how her insurance has doubled in recent years because of the Affordable Care Act. In short, she wrote me that "I miss 2009 when our family health care was affordable." Millions of Americans, just like this Texan, are losing their health care coverage. They are facing massive increases in their premiums and losing access to their doctor under the Affordable Care Act.

The Associated Press has reported that over 3.5 million people on the individual insurance market have had their insurance canceled. Let me restate that: the Associated Press has reported that over 3.5 million people on the individual insurance market have had their health care plans canceled. We learned just this week the number of people who successfully signed up on the President's Web site for the Affordable Care Act, under 27,000—3.5 million lose their insurance; 27,000 sign up. It doesn't sound like a fair trade-off.

This is not the first time that the President has realized that his signature law is significantly flawed. Since the law was passed, the President has signed seven bills into law that have repealed portions of the Affordable Care Act. Those were laws passed by the House, passed by the Senate, and sent down to the White House for signature, the way it is supposed to happen in a constitutional Republic.

But in addition to these statutory changes that were passed by the Congress and sent down to the President