

The Fight Isn't Over: Possible Next Steps for Trumpcare

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Sen. McConnel brings the Senate healthcare bill (Better Care Reconciliation Act or BCRA) to the floor

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Senate has 20 hours for debate and amendments

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Senate votes on healthcare bill - if it gets 50 votes, VP Pence breaks the tie

Option 1

- Senate sends their bill to House
- The House passes a rule allowing for same-day voting
- The House votes on the Senate bill and, if passed, it goes to the president

Then Option 2

- Senate sends bill to House & Senate conference committee
- Conference committee irons out differences between House (AHCA) and Senate (BCRA) bills
- The new bill goes back to House
 & Senate to be voted on and, if passed, to the president

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TrumpCare: Myths vs. Facts

Myth: Senate TrumpCare (the Better Care Reconciliation Act) does not cut Medicaid.

Fact: The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO) calculated Senate TrumpCare would reduce funding for Medicaid by \$772 billion by 2026. **That's a cut.**

CBO also projects **Medicaid spending would be 35**% **lower** in 2036 under Senate TrumpCare than under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). **That's a cut.**

These cuts mean that 15 million fewer people, including 638,900 in North Carolina, would be enrolled in Medicaid by 2026.

Myth: Senate TrumpCare doesn't affect those with pre-existing conditions.

Fact: Senate TrumpCare allows states to waive the ACA's coverage of essential health benefits, like prescription drug coverage, pregnancy, emergency services, and substance abuse disorders.

According to the CBO, about half of the population would be in "states substantially affected by waivers to provisions of the ACA," and therefore vulnerable to higher out-of-pocket costs for essential health services like prescription drugs and emergency services. Those with pre-exisiting conditions that need the excluded benefits would pay thousands of dollars more, either for coverage riders, out-of-pocket costs, or for a more comprehensive plan.

According to the Center for American Progress, a woman needing maternity care could pay \$17,320 more in 2026 if she lives in a state that waives maternity coverage. A person with lung cancer can pay up to \$72,980 more in health care costs if they live in a state that waives all essential health benefits.

Myth: The ACA was rushed through the Senate.

Fact: The Senate spent more than 160 hours considering the health reform legislation, and the final Senate bill included 147 Republican amendments.

The Senate Finance Committee held more than 53 hearings on health insurance reform. They spent 8 days marking up (the process by which congressional committees and subcommittees debate, amend, and rewrite legislation) the legislation – the longest markup in 22 years – during which they considered 135 amendments. The Senate Finance Committee posted their legislation online for 6 days before the markup.

The Senate HELP Committee held more than 47 bipartisan hearings, roundtables, and walkthroughs on health insurance reform. They considered 300 amendments during a 13 day markup. The Senate HELP Committee posted their legislation online for 6 days before the markup.

The Senate spent 25 consecutive days in session on health reform, the second longest consecutive session in history.