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## JOHN KASICH ON HEALTH CARE REFORM BILL

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March 22, 2010 By [admin\\_kasich](#) ▪ [242 Comments](#)

The heavy-handedness of those pushing health care reform through Congress has been disturbing to watch. Just as bad will be the setbacks that will be dealt to Ohio's efforts to create jobs and revive our economy.

Instead of working to build consensus, President Obama and the Democrats in Congress have taken the divisive approach of forcing their own top-down, one-size-fits-all vision on America.

At a time when Ohio desperately needs new jobs, the bill undermines job-creating efforts by imposing more than \$560 billion in new taxes on the very things that will revive the economy—small businesses and investment.

If that weren't enough, the bill also worsens the long-term budget health of the United States. The new taxes will hurt long-term economic growth and, if history is a guide, won't be enough to pay for all the new spending. In the end, the federal government will just rack up higher deficits and go deeper in debt, leaving future generations to pick up the tab.

Ohio government spending will go up also, adding to an already bleak budget picture. Instead of letting states develop innovative solutions to their respective challenges, new federal mandates will require more Medicaid spending and stick states with large and unsustainable costs.

I want to see every Ohioan have health coverage, and a better way to start would be to simply eliminate the frivolous lawsuits that drive up costs, allow health care companies to compete across state lines, and end pre-existing condition rules that keep people from the care they need. What we got instead was a bill that will kill jobs and give government politicians and bureaucrats greater control over our personal health care decisions.

We know many of you are frustrated. If you'd like to try making a difference, please consider [sending an e-card](#).

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**Reginald M. Muhl says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 7:54 pm**

I don't understand how you can include ppl with pre-existing conditions without driving up the cost. The Ins. Co's aren't going to eat these costs so will be passed on as higher cost to me.

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**Richard Bethel says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 7:57 pm**

John, You hit the nail in the coffin! This country and certainly Ohio doesn't need this health care bill that is being forced upon us by the Obama administration and the Democrats in Congress. We



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need reform on what you mentioned above and I have been saying that right along....in the end nobody is going to win with this health care bill

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**JeffB says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:00 pm**



I agree 100%! I really got angry when a democrat on the house floor cited your name and stated that you said if the democrats idea's would work in 1993 that you would become a democrat. But what just made me boil was how so many democrats on the floor kept spewing the party line talking points while ignoring the pleas of their constituents. I can't wait till November rolls around – they think it's a big joke passing this unconstitutional bill despite what the people wanted – Now look, Mr. Obama is in the same historic place Adolph Hitler was in 1936.

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**Kris Plotner says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:01 pm**



Thank you Mr. Kasich for your valued thoughts on this position. I am deeply saddened and greatly irritated at our existing governor who has done very little in his esteemed seat to do nothing in our great state to help with the job situation. I would love to stay in Ohio (where I have lived for most of my life) but there are few opportunities for jobs here and considering a move out of state. It seems like our existing governor only supports his Political party and has very little regard to his constituents. You have my support and vote this November!

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**susan brill says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:07 pm**



John, do you believe that ramrodding amnesty is next? Then there will be all those uninsured added to the burden.

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**Matt Julien says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:08 pm**



I hope when you become governor hopefully, you can find a way to get a state exemption or get in on this lawsuit. We don't need this!!

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**twitalor says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:09 pm**



Thanks for sharing your views. I am following you on twitter because I want to get to know your views, values and principles. I'm very concerned about the direction of our country. I do not support obamacare, concerned about how it will affect the nation but I'm deeply concerned that the effects on Ohio and other states will be terrible. I believe our freedom is at stake. Governor Strickland praised the Health Care bill, President O'bama and Congress on Twitter today. Will legal action be filed in Ohio against the Federal government and Obamacare?

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**Nancy Waldren says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:16 pm**



I am absolutely shocked that this health care bill was passed. Are these Senators really this stupid not to know that you don't add more expenses and costs when you're broke? This health reform has NOTHING to do with health care – it's a government takeover! Cap & Trade – same thing! I have never seen anything like this. One out of three Americans are AGAINST this health care bill. Did they listen? You would think that the 1.7 million people who showed up in DC on 9/12 might have had an impact on this administration but it had no impact at all. Kind of like the effectiveness of the Town Halls that have been staged all over the country – we were totally ignored! Americans need to get involved and fight back with all their might – and not waste one more second "thinking" about getting

involved. Just do it – and do it now!

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**Beth says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:17 pm**

I agree. You got it exactly right.



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**Monica Fulbright says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:26 pm**

no common sense happening in DC. We need someone like you to lead our country. I am from NC and i have watched you for a while. Please consider your future. Please one day consider being President. Our country is being dismantled. We will have to rebuild eventually. Help us John Kasich.....Please.



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**Ron Miller says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:34 pm**

John – you have my support on this and nearly every other issue! What can you do as governor next year to fight this?



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**carmie says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:41 pm**

Is there any hope or way to stop this horrible takeover?



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**Jeff Williams says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:42 pm**

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness.



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**Jeff Williams says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 8:50 pm**

When so much is wrong the opportunities to do great things are many. What is required are those with strong character, clear vision, principled objectives, honorable intentions and an intense passion of faith. These objectives executed under willful accountability, resolve and humility toward the public good will reap their rewards.



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**Mark Durnwald says:**

**March 22, 2010 at 11:26 pm**

John- just emailed our AG a lengthy letter to join the virginian AG to fight against this bill. I was excited when i first heard you were gonna run for govenor and you have my vote. thanks



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**Edward Fisher says:**



**March 23, 2010 at 6:56 am**



Tort reform is a step but a large part of lawsuit abuse is filing in the effort to get a settlement figuring the company sued will offer a settlement to avoid expenses of court. Loser pays rules should be a necessary part of any tort reform or baseless lawsuits will still be brought.

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**JIM STEWART says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 10:52 am**



I AGREE WITH MOST ALL OF YOU BUT DO YOU REALLY KNOW WHO IS AT FAULT? IT'S NOT THE DEMOCRATS OR THE REPUBLICANS. IT'S US!!! OVER THE YEARS WE HAVE LET THE POLITITIONS CREATE THEIR OWN LITTLE FIFETON. THEY MAKE THEIR OWN RULES, GIVE THEMSELVES RAISES AND SET THEMSELVES ABOVE THE REST OF US AND WE HAVE LET THEM DO IT. I HOPE THIS HAS AWAKENED THOSE OF US WHO HAVE BEEN PLACIDLY SITTING ON THE SIDELINES. IT SORT OF REMINDS ME OF ONE FELLOW ASKING ANOTHER FELLOW HOW HE FELT ABOUT APATHY? THE OTHER FELLOW THOUGHT FOR A MOMENT AND THEN SAID "I GUESS I DON'T CARE ONE WAY OR ANOTHER". WE'VE HAD OUR WAKE UP CALL, I JUST HOPE IT ISN'T TOO LATE.

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**kevin anderson says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 10:57 am**



I tend to be a bit blunt and just plain simple about these things, this administration has broken the laws of our land and lied under oath to follow and protect the Constitution of the USA. As I see it the bill is unlawful and the participants are treasonous, they should be brought to justice and their legislation canceled.

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**AARON HANNA says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 11:10 am**



If this billed is allowed to become law it had ought to include every citizen of The United States and it's Commonwealths should be under the same program – no special interest groups as public employees and politicians.

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**Paula Gluntz says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 11:54 am**



Really, John—After a year of compromise and a resounding NO even after the compromise, you are saying there was no effort at bi-partisan support?

Why aren't you telling people about the tax CREDITS for small businesses so that they can afford insurance?

Also, the frivolous lawsuits has been addressed significantly by the "best practices" provisions. Will you tell your followers about that?

You have jumped on the Republican Political bandwagon. The only goal is election. Lying about this bill is simply a means to that end.

Have the guts to tell this state what the bill is really all about. Tell our state, which suffered disproportionately in terms of job loss, what it stands to gain for our people.

Tell our people that this is regulation of the insurance companies and not a government takeover. Tell them there is no public option—just price control like we have with the phone companies and the electric companies where a small number of corporations dominate the market.

That is the reality. That is in the bill.

Your hyperbole is for election purposes only.

I'm sad to see it.

I thought your standards were higher than that.

I will be thoroughly surprised if you actually publish this.

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**Ryan Rhoades says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 12:04 pm**



I partly agree with Reginald, but with that said you are slowly gaining a supporter here. I feel we can still stop this bill and draw even more negative attention to the reconciliation bill now. While don't you push the attorney general as much as you can to file a lawsuit based on the bill's unconstitutionality. Otherwise I share your opinions on this issue!

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**Advocates for Liberty says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 12:20 pm**



If health care insurance was portable and personally configurable without state mandated coverage, we wouldn't have to worry about pre-existing conditions because we would be able to craft our policies to our own liking and would be able to keep them regardless of employer or state we lived in (gee, like we can for car insurance).

Question is will Kasich file a lawsuit against this bill on behalf of Ohio if the AG won't?

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**Paula Gluntz says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 12:22 pm**



Please, will one of you tell me what the unconstitutional argument is? And if it has been fought and won previously? I.e., after 200 plus years, is there any precedent for a constitutionality claim? The people who were voted into office did their job and did it by the books. Are you really looking to overthrow the government? Isn't THAT what treason is? And "we hold these truths to be self-evident" is the Declaration of Independence-not the Constitution.

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**Advocates for Liberty says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 12:34 pm**



Agree with @Edward Fisher regarding "Loser Pays" tort reform.

Also, we need to scale back licensing and regulation that stifle competition and increase costs to the consumer. When that happens, your "smaller government" credentials will be proven.

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**Paula Gluntz says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 12:45 pm**



Advocates 4 Liberty-

I agree that the previous laws regarding insurance companies created the monster insurance oligopolies we have today. Simply stopping that at this late point won't fix it. At a minimum, they would have to be treated as AT&T was treated during deregulation of the telephone industry.

Car insurance is state-mandated in Ohio.

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**Advocates for Liberty says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 12:46 pm**



@Paula, here are some links of interest regarding the constitutionality of the bill:

[http://www.cato.org/pub\\_display.php?pub\\_id=11600](http://www.cato.org/pub_display.php?pub_id=11600)

"Virginia's attorney general, Ken Cuccinelli II, has said he will file a legal challenge to the bill, arguing in a column this month that reform legislation 'violate[s] the plain text of both the Ninth and Tenth Amendments.'"

"Article I of the Constitution allows Congress to tax and spend to 'provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States.' Normally, this is no barrier to legislation benefiting a particular state or city. Congress can always argue that, say, an Air Force base in Nebraska benefits the United States as a whole. But the deals in the Senate bill are different. It is really hard to identify a benefit to all the states from exempting one state from an increase in Medicare costs or allowing only the citizens of Florida to get Medicare Advantage."

Here are others:

[http://www.cato.org/pub\\_display.php?pub\\_id=11133](http://www.cato.org/pub_display.php?pub_id=11133)

<http://www.cato-at-liberty.org/2010/03/23/individual-mandate-is-constitutional-if-you-rewrite-the-constitution/>

<http://www.cato-at-liberty.org/2009/11/17/the-constitutionality-of-the-individual-mandate/>

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**Paula Gluntz says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 12:52 pm**



Dear John and fans:

I dare you to fact check and verify your statements with reliable sources/data. The Health Care Bill itself would be a good start.

It is exhausting just trying to keep up with the hyperbole and lies that people are accepting as true (because their party's leaders are saying it is so) and spreading like wildfire.

That, and a year long stand-off, is the reason the Democrats went forth without the Republicans.

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**Advocates for Liberty says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 1:12 pm**



@Paula,

Regarding...

"Tell our people that this is regulation of the insurance companies and not a government takeover. Tell them there is no public option-just price control like we have with the phone companies and the electric companies where a small number of corporations dominate the market."

Price controls not only don't achieve desired outcome unless you are willing to sacrifice quality. Mandating that insurance companies cover pre-existing conditions IS control. Mandating individuals to purchase health insurance IS control (and there are arguments that this can affect those who have a spouse on his or her plan or have domestic partner benefits on their current plans).

Regulation IS control. Regulation most always SOUNDS good (remember Issue 2, Kasich? Taylor?), but it almost ALWAYS benefits larger corporations with the means to absorb the compliance costs and almost ALWAYS STIFLES COMPETITION!

This bill was a big win for the insurance companies (short term) and the drug companies. They threw tons of money to get this passed and just stood by and took their faux licks from Obama, giggling in their hands.

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**Dad65 says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 1:27 pm**



You just secured my vote.

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**Anthony Masiello says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 1:58 pm**



simple, The govt. cant force an American to purchase any thing from a private business. Period.



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**Anthony Masiello says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 1:59 pm**

You go John, Strickland is a joke!



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**Michael P Gardner says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 2:21 pm**

Thank you, Mr. Kasich. You are a God-send! You have my vote!



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**Steve Grant says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 2:41 pm**

The biggest concern that we should be having is the amount of cost that is being pushed off of the federal healthcare ledger. For example, there is a huge increase in the number of IRS employees to enforce the tax penalties and there is undoubtedly a large amount of cost being mandated on the states. Where has Gov Strickland been on this issue? He can't balance the Ohio budget already and he is getting a bunch of new mandates.



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**Barbara Ramirez says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 2:41 pm**

Dear Paula, You seem to have forgotten what country you live in. This is called AMERICA, and we DO NOT WANT the federal government BIGGER, nor do we want 17,000 new I.R.S. agents telling us we HAVE to pay for INSURANCE, be FINED or IMPRISONED. Nor do they have the RIGHT to our PERSONAL health records. I myself wonder if there were appropriations in the bill giving the states trillions of dollars to build and SUPPORT all of the NEW PRISONS they will NEED to hold all of the poor people who will NOT BE ABLE TO PAY FOR THIS MANDATORY INSURANCE!? I myself am looking forward to the prison stay, because I AM NOT PAYING IT! And the government has no LEGAL right to tell me I HAVE TO!! Soooo, Miss Paula smarty pants, Looks like you will be PAYING for some free meals for me real soon. And maybe while you are at it, you could find another website to patronize with your socialist, (communist) agenda, because it is apparent that you don't belong here. That traitor to our Constitution, Ted Strickland, will gladly receive you.

Thank God you are in the MINORITY, because I don't know how much more of you traitors I can stand! And I CANNOT WAIT until November !!

There is a website you might want to check out. It is called Freedom Advocates. The real story behind what is happening in Washington is called The United Nation's Agenda 21. And it is taking over this country, undermining our rights and freedoms, under the lying mask of "what is GOOD for the environment." Also known as "going green." They have used the lies of global warming to scare America into accepting this communist agenda, which will be making over fifty percent of the U.S. off limits to PEOPLE, forcing us into "Sustainable Developments," also termed 'villages,' so they can control our every move. It is called communism, and it already has a good foothold here in our government and in our cities. The U.N. agenda 21 calls for the REDISTRIBUTION of wealth, meaning this country is too rich, and MUST be taken down to the same level as other countries. This agenda also calls for RATIONING of healthcare. Well, how could they RATION it, if they don't CONTROL IT? Check out the site. Maybe you will understand what's REALLY GOING ON.



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**Jennine Wessell says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 3:46 pm**

"Experience hath shewn, that even under the best forms (of government) those entrusted with power have, in time, and by slow operations, perverted it into tyranny." — Thomas Jefferson



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**Sally Baur says:****March 23, 2010 at 3:51 pm**

Definitely voting for you, you know what is really going on, and have courage! Keep up the good work!

[Log in to Reply](#)**Sherry Patterson says:****March 23, 2010 at 6:27 pm**

Another way to bring down health care costs is to address the excessive and unethical billing practices of so many health care entities! They are over billing, double billing, etc. etc.

[Log in to Reply](#)**Mike Dailey says:****March 23, 2010 at 6:39 pm**

Words fail me in my attempt to describe the debacle over the passage of the health care legislation. The politicians responsible for this grave misuse of authority granted through the elective process are not representatives of the people, but are self-serving liars, thugs, cheats and baby killers. I truly pray that the representative responsible for voting for the health care legislation will be voted from office come November 2010, along with all those politicians who have supported and continue to support the bill. That is the very reason for electing John Kasich governor of Ohio, so he can bring honesty and credibility back to the office and to the State.

[Log in to Reply](#)**Barbara Ramirez says:****March 23, 2010 at 7:06 pm**

For anyone who may be wondering, I received an email from Governor Strickland stating that he was IN FAVOR of Obamacare. Guess that means he won't be trying to represent the majority of Ohioans who want the bill(s) repealed, nor does he care to fulfil the oath he took to "Protect and Defend" our Constitution. I've not heard back from the Ohio Attorney General yet.

[Log in to Reply](#)**John Murphy says:****March 23, 2010 at 9:15 pm**

The Obama solution to deficits – create a trillion dollar entitlement program that will "reduce the deficit". President Obama and the Democrats in Congress only need to create another 3 or 4 trillion dollar entitlements to eliminate the deficit!

[Log in to Reply](#)**Lilola says:****March 23, 2010 at 9:22 pm**

I understand the idea of requiring pre-existing conditions, but it could put a huge financial strain on insurance companies. They are only making about 3% as it is. Perhaps, after allowing them to sell across state lines, require a percentage of their customers be permitted pre-existing conditions.

[Log in to Reply](#)**jackie says:****March 23, 2010 at 10:02 pm**

Paula, I understand your frustration with the rhetoric. I am English major w/ writing minor, and going to graduate school for public admin w/ a specialty in finance. I have managed restaurant since I was 22 and I will turn 33 in June. With that said, it is not possible to regulate businesses, because taxing businesses does 3 things: forces them out of business, cut labor, or impose the tax on the product transferring the tax to the consumer. An example of this is minimum wage, remember 2 years ago when min wage went from 5.25 to 7.30, did you notice that Wendy's dollar menu disappeared, it does not exist. At the time, I was a manager at Arby's, do you know those coupon fliers you got every month, notice now you get them every other month, or quarter. To save cost, the cut down on portions of food, the also instead of having 10 work per 100, they went to 8 people per 100,





as the taxes rise, the jobs and labor became tighter, and tighter, to where myself as a manager had to do my job, plus that of 1.5 employees. And the answer is not, "well, we are going to pay for someones health care anyway", the answer is jobs and education, lower taxes. There is no tort reform in the bill, so unethical lawyers can ask for millions of dollars for someone who would never make millions of dollars. Do you know a obgyn can be sued by parents/children until a person is 26 years of age for birth defects, yet in some states rape has a statute of limitations. I take many lit classes, do you know that some of my books talk about authors who like fascism and Marxism, but do not explain what it is, and then lead young impressionability readers into an authors writing which can then lead them to a false sense of acceptance of the idea? And not only that, but greed and corruption are emotions, humans carry these emotions, not entities or systems therefore, capitalism is no more corrupt than socialism, communism, maxism, fascism, and totalitarianism. I do not need to read a bill where people hiding behind doors while writing the bill, or bribing people to vote for the bill, or capital hill meetings that lead to insults on one group for not accepting the bill to understand that something is fishy. Also, have you noticed since the imposition of socialistic ideals have been imposed on this country by FDR that progress and economics have faltered. If govt was so good, why does France, Canada and Britain not produce anything?

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**jackie says:**

**March 23, 2010 at 10:14 pm**



oh, and the unconstitutional would come in at taxation w/out representation, since most of the Americans, 60%, stated they didn't want the bill, that would be one way, also debtor prisons were considered unlawful in England in 1869. that would be a second, im sure there is more

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**Larry says:**

**March 24, 2010 at 6:57 am**



Mr. Kasich makes a reasonable argument. Our Federal Government has taken aggressive measures wresting overall control from "We the People" and handing it to a few elitist. I have personal experience with only one person favoring the Democrat vision of Health Care. Trust me, in my real world, that is a very small minority. Most people I talk with agree that the health care rates need some work. Not health care per say, it works the large majority of the time. It is costly and one would think there should be some reasonable way to lower cost. Why 2700 pages of legal speak? Want to reform health care? Find someone that can write ten pages of legislation. That's asking alot I'm sure. However, consider this, ten pages would have to be written in simple language. No room for run on political speak. You couldn't hide special deals and it could be read and understood in the 72 hour time frame prior to a vote. To make a point, years and years ago, God handed down ten easily understood values, one page of rules in todays world. They are simple to understand, you can adopt these or reject them at your will. Why should our Governemnt believe they have absolute control over any aspect of our personal lives?

Conservative values have served this Grand Nation for many many years. Give us the room to become the most we can and once again this Nation will flourish.

Mr. Kasich, I can't say I agree with everything you believe. I am learning as much as I can about you and the values you state. Understand this, the American people have heard so much and been dissapointed so many times by politicians. Mean what you say and stand by what you say. We've had enough political double speak to last for generations.

Larry Tippie

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**Linda Treglia says:**

**March 24, 2010 at 11:33 pm**



What can we do? We are so frustrated that our representatives didn't listen to us that we did not want this healthcare plan.

We as citizens feel that we are not being heard and the government has taken over-no more "We the people." We have voted, we have e-mailed, we have written, we have called, but still Washington is doing things we do not want. We feel powerless. Why isn't someone in Washington in a position to do something? Why isn't someone stopping back room deals to buy votes?

We realize what has happened and taken place-but what can we as citizens do now???

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**Mary says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 5:23 am**



All of the tax credits in the world will not persuade me to accept the Healthcare Overhaul ("Obamacare"). Have you ever ran a small business? I have. In the dead of winter when the phones weren't ringing, but the bills kept pouring in, I had little or no revenue and had to go without a salary, mortgage our home, take out a loan, sell family antiques and furniture, just to pay the taxes, insurance, and licensing fees already instituted by government (FICA, unemployment, social security, federal, state, and local taxes, and now – a 2% increase across the board plus penalties for non-compliance –); and all of this was piled on top of paying wages. I went for one year without ever getting paid; however, my employees ALWAYS got paid. Be assured, Paula, under the new HC Overhaul and with the new taxes and penalties, I would NEVER consider starting a small business again, which means all of the people who could have jobs WILL NOT. I have not argued based on ideology in this forum; rather, I have supplied you with facts from a person with experience at doing without a salary for one year to pay taxes. Please do not argue unless you are able to understand why small business owners are upset, frightened (now more IRS agents to contend with), sickened. Take off your rose-colored glasses. Please.

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**Mary says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 5:27 am**



John Kasich, I will put my money where my mouth is to help get you elected because we need someone as governor who can add and subtract. Please let me know what I can do to help make you governor. Thanks.

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**Marie says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 9:50 am**



John, I disagree with all aspects of this health plan and do not agree with the WH on most of their views and where they are bringing our country. I was excited to hear you were running for the office of Governor as Ohio is deteriorating fast and we need someone like you to help us. We will help as much as we can to make Ohio a better place and to try to defeat the destruction of our country.

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**ray says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:07 am**



4 ANYONE WHO WANTS TO SIGN THE #hrc FREEDOM AMENDMENT which aims to nullify the Obama-care mandate. <http://bit.ly/aNWmsr>

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**Bruce Parry says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:10 am**



Let's unite and stop Kucinich while we're at it. He bankrupt Cleveland and is trying to do the same to Ohio. We need to support John Kasich and end the left wing immediately. I'd love to have been on the plane to see what went down. He obviously sold out Parma.

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**Diane says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:19 am**



I don't see frivolous lawsuits as the root of the healthcare insurance problems we have. We need more insurance choices...not just our employers choice for us. What about an Ohio insurance co-op? People don't understand how much healthcare costs... All the naysayers see is a \$20 co-pay here and there. That is a teeny fraction of what we have paid.

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**Leonard Boyak says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:20 am



Our Senator Sherred Brown stated he read the bill. Yet on WABC radio he didn't know about the taxes in the bill. This put more cost on the american tax payer and dosen't increase any jobs but loses them.

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**Tonya says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:22 am



Free enterprise, NOT more bloated government is the only way that people can acquire affordable health care. We the voters and taxpayers are tired of paying exorbitant taxes and ridiculous insurance premiums to cover free care for those unwilling to work- but forcing people to buy insurance only gives the insurance companies an incentive to charge even more and pay for even less. You are right on this one, John (just one more reason to vote for you in November!!) Government, especially the federal government, needs to butt out of health care entirely. Allow for competition, end the ease of frivolous lawsuits, and let people choose the health care plans they want and can afford.

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**Chup says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:23 am



There are a number of things fundamentally wrong with the current healthcare bill:

- 1) The Fed cannot require the citizens to buy anything.....that is not a role that is given to the Fed in the 10th amendment.
- 2) Provisions in the bill would require Insurance co. to pay out 85% of their capital, and retain 15% for operating expenses. In the past, the Fed itself found that Ins. co.s that tried to run at the new levels were unstable, and prone to fail. Most companies run at 60% / 40% now. So.....they are trying to drive the Ins. Co.s out of business.....then the "public option" will be the only thing left.
- 3) The bill does not do anything about the excessive premiums physicians have to pay for malpractice insurance. These premiums result from Ins. Co.s having to pay off many frivolous lawsuits settled out of court.
- 4) Forcing the physicians to accept lower payments will drive even more Drs out of practice.

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**Brenda Kreher says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:26 am



If you are elected governor, ( and even if you're not), I hope that as you campaign you will call upon every God-fearing person within the sound of your voice to fall to their knees and pray for this country. Help from Heaven is our only answer, more than even the best conservatism. If the adage "As goes Ohio, so goes the nation" holds true ( and it does) then maybe America stands a chance if believers will repent. Please see this kind message:  
<http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/1259620>

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**Eli Gingerich says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:27 am



The big thing for me is that we are mandated to pay for Aborations, I don't believe in aborations, and that we are mandated to buy health insurance. We have in place a sharing plan that we as our church have in place where we all share our cost and it has worked for at least 30 years, But we are mandated to put away with that and go with Obama Health Care at a much higher cost per month.

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**Rex says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:29 am**



I will NEVER vote for ANYONE that voted for this disgracing Health Care bill that Bahama shoved down our throats!

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**Ken Crooks says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:30 am**



Can Ohio declare itself exempt from this extreme stupidity as some other state's have done?

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**berdawn says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:30 am**



Insurance reform is very much needed. I'm sorry that the republican party could not find a way to fix the problems with the insurance industry (no coverage for ppl with pre-existing conditions, outrageous rate hikes, nothing available for someone who is an entrepreneur). The way those opposed to this bill are behaving is very disturbing to me. I hope that you will speak out against the inflammatory rhetoric and hateful acts of the past few days.

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**Jake says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:31 am**



Paula is being a little disingenuous. The bill punishes growth. If you have 25 employees, where is your incentive to hire, when you'll lose those tax credits. And if you have 26 employees, it's going to be tempting to downsize. Likewise for companies with 49 or 52 employees. The smaller ones will have no incentive to grow, and the larger ones will have an incentive to cut back. Companies will be incented to drop their existing coverage and just pay the fine, as it's cheaper. A family-owned business won't have an incentive to grow if the couple's income will push past the \$250k mark.

It's an anti-small-business bill, plain and simple. It throttles the engine of our economy.

Repeal it, fight it, cancel it, kill it and start over with \*real\* reform.

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**Floyd Walker says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:32 am**



I probably would have been in favor of "ObamaCare" if it had included a few points:

- 1) Elimination of frivolous lawsuits, as Mr. Kasich mentioned. A primary factor of the high costs of healthcare is the malpractice insurance, with a cost upwards of six figures per doctor, and the "extra" tests that doctors must perform in order to cover themselves FROM the lawsuits.
- 2) Restriction or elimination of coverage for illegal immigrants, who are actually COVERED in the bill that passed. Perhaps allow life-saving aid only, but hospitals were required to do so prior to the bill's passage as it was. Illegals, as a whole, will not be impacted by the new taxes required to support this, but they will reap the same benefits from it as you or I. I feel that this greatly increases the overall cost of this legislation.
- 3) Allowing health insurers to conduct business outside their state of origin. This would increase the pool of payees for a company, possibly allowing them to reduce an individual's cost.

Mr. Kasich, if you hold true to the message that you are presenting to us, then you can count on my vote.

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**steve romeo says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:32 am**



My Congressman Charlie Wilson hid for the past 8 months. He voted at the WILL of his constituents, so he says. The reality is poll numbers indicated this District was against it too. He, Pelosi, Obama, etc lie so much they believe their own lies.--soon to be GOV Kasich, you would make a great

President in 2012.

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**Joe Snyder says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:32 am**



If the Republicans acted like Republicans should have back in 2001 thru 2008, we might have seen a conservative approach to bailouts, government spending, wars and cronyism in the rebuilding of Iraq. Now that the country cleansed themselves of the McCains, Bushes and the promotion of progressivism and compassionate conservatism, we might have a chance with some true conservatives and not a bunch of RINOs. Good luck and keep on fighting for liberty and true justice in this state. Maybe some of your success will rub off on the rest of the country.

Joe Snyder 3-25-10

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**Herman says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:34 am**



i do not agree with you and the rest of ohioans who turn your back on the least of thee..we can bomb and kill people and no one is concerned about cost..help people and small businesses and we are up in arms over the cost..you have lost my vote. not that you need me..

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**Tom says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:34 am**



John, This health care bill is a complete disaster. There are so many problems with it, I do not know where to begin. First and foremost, common sense tells us that anytime government becomes involved in anything the result is always tremendous inefficiency and excess costs, significantly higher costs than budgeted, and the high likelihood of special interest corruption. The fact that this legislation provides for the establishment of over 100 new government agencies (and 16,000 more IRS agents) speaks volumes as to the impending inefficiencies. In addition, doctor shortages and rationing of health care is inevitable. Further, the long wait times experienced in other countries will undoubtedly become a reality here. Already the Mayo clinic is refusing Medicare patients, and the mandated 21% decrease in what doctors can charge Medicare patients will result in others doing the same. WE HAVE TO GET THIS REPEALED!!!!

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**Steve says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:36 am**



You have my vote! This bill is at best not necessary. Since the Dem's like to legislate so much, why didn't they pass some bills to limit costs, tort reform, pre-existing conditions and portability? That sure wouldn't have cost us \$1+trillion.

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**Mike says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:42 am**



John, I enjoyed reading your comments regarding health care insurance reform and you're 100 % correct. Talk about job killers, this is it. The tipping point where more people expect to receive something from the government vs paying for it is quickly approaching. Democrats will now try to ram through immigration reform 10 – 20 million more democrats. After that than allowing convicted felons that haven't completed the requirements to be allowed to vote again an additional 4 million more democrats. Good luck, you have my vote. As far as Sherrod Brown goes please help me and my district you can't get much more liberal. .

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**Diane Willis says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:43 am**



What a bunch of hot air. All of the hype about how this bill is going to ruin the country is

merely speculation. IT IS TIME FOR A CHANGE! Any one with any semblance of intelligence knows that the way the bill was when passed and the way it finally becomes part of our daily life are miles apart. As for how this was JAMMED through the Congress – how's come it was alright when the procedure was used over and over again before? YES, I want this plan. I am extremely disappointed in your view of this bill.

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**John says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:44 am**



Dear Congressman Kasich,

I am a moderate, independent veteran who has voted Republican as much as I've voted Democrat in my time. I'm sorry to say your attached reaction to the passage of the healthcare bill – which suggests it was the President's "heavy-handed tactics" that are dividing this country – has likely ended your chance of receiving my vote for governor. Suggesting the way to deal effectively with our healthcare problems is to start with tort reform – good talking point, laughable policy option. I'm for tort reform, but talk about putting a band-aid on a gusher.

We needed health reform. Sadly, Republicans put getting elected and giving Obama a "Waterloo" over helping the country. The basics of this bill aren't much different from what Republicans suggested in the 1990s. It's a regulatory bill, not a takeover, and yet now we're suggesting Democrats are destroying this country!?!?!? Republicans are the ones standing out front of government buildings yelling for revolution and shouting slurs at minorities and cripples. I want to vote Republican again, but if this is your brand count me out. You're better than this Congressman. BE better than this.

I will remove myself from your email list. I sincerely, and I mean sincerely, look forward to the day when I see Republicans return to a voice of moderation. The country will be better off if we stop moving toward the extremes. Sadly, right now, the moderate wing (I don't like Pelosi and Reid either) of the Democratic party (including the President) is the best option for moderates like me. Stop listening to Beck, Hannity, and Limbaugh and please come back.

My best wishes to you, Sir. God bless you and God bless our country.

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**Fred says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:44 am**



If this problem had not been ignored & kicked down the road by the previous people in power this would not be such a problem. All I hear from you bunch of self-centered greedy republicans is how much it will cost if the problem had been addressed years ago when Bill & Hillary tried to do something about this but even then all I heard was how much it would cost.

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**George White says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:46 am**



Future Governor Kasich's comments are on target, as usual. Now that this misguided effort has passed however, the best step is to work to improve it, rather than repeal it; the latter is not going to happen.

Towards that end, in order to reduce health care costs, the minimum required insurance needs to be catastrophic in nature, rather than first dollar coverage. If this issue could be addressed, the exchanges could end up working similarly to simply ending restrictions on insurance companies competing across state lines. The latter would have been a quicker, easier, and simpler fix, but we have to face reality, and this bill is now law, so let's make it better. This would also greatly lower the Federal cost of providing insurance to lower income Americans. The new taxes should then be eliminated, but until they are, any revenues from the new Medicare 2.9% tax on high incomes should go towards reducing Medicare's current unfunded liability, not to new spending.

I could go on, but that would be a start. I'd love to see this repealed, as the misguided Medicare Catastrophic law was in the 1980's, but I don't see that happening, so let's restrict the damage, offer constructive solutions, and win elections in the Fall to determine future policy.

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**kevin says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:47 am



As a 32 year old man who went through a kidney transplant surgery and all of the bills that come along with them i am deeply concerned with the current state of our medical system. I do beleive that something needs done to control the high cost of basic medical care, but the federal government deciding what treatment i need is a joke. I prefer to leave those decisions to my highly trained and skilled doctors.

After reading through these comments the one BIG thing that bothers me that no one seems to be saying is that the very men and women who are mandating this for me will not participate in the "plan" that they say is in my best interest! This i find to be very disturbing.

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**Terry says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:48 am



In my humble opinion, the Federal Government has crossed the line with Obamacare financially and constitutionally. Efforts to stifle and or reverse it may or may not be effective. Within a very few years entitlement spending will suck up all the funds available to the feds and more. To me, the only hope for future survival on some reasonable scale is for the states to individually and collectively step up to the plate, insist on their sovereignty, get their own fiscal houses in order, stop relying on the federal government to supplement their finances and refuse to implement and/or enforce unconstitutional federal laws. That will take some guts to pull off but I think it's the only way short of total insolvency and eventual chaos.

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**Tom Karr says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:49 am



All other states are calculating their cost for this outrageous bill. I haven't seen any number for Ohio's pass thru budget buster. Has anyone in our Governor's office doone the math? Or do they know and don't want to tell? John I'm sure you know, would you share with us concerned citizens?

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**Scott Evans says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:52 am



We DO need Insurance and Health Care reform, but not in this Unconstitutional Power Grab.

WILL YOU sign an Ohio Bill or Actively Support an Amendment to the Ohio Constitution to EXEMPT Ohio from this Unconstitutional Law?

Will you stand up for Ohio Sovereignty?

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**James A. Denney says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:56 am



Good post. And don't forget its more fundamental and important flaw: It goes far beyond the enumerated powers of congress, has no effect on interstate commerce as the term was meant by the Founders, and it thereby changes the nature of our republic to a statist system without a constitution that has any meaning, if it is allowed to stand.

"The idea that there is no limit to the powers of the legislator is in part a result of popular sovereignty and democratic government. It has been strengthened by the belief that, so long as all actions of the state are duly authorized by legislation, the rule of law will be preserved. But this is to misconceive the meaning of the rule of law." – Fredrich Hayek

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**Claire says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:56 am



My husband & I worked very hard for many years, raised 4 sons, and with the new act we'll be punished because our income is over \$250K. Why should I pay more tax when I have insurance that we pay a \$4200 deductible per year plus a premium contribution? The solution is to quite your job and go on Medicaid?

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**ken weitzel says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:57 am



How to win in November!!!!

The healthcare bill – contents and process – happened because Dems have abused their power. The one party rule has shut out the diverse voice of Americans. What they have proved is that our form of government does not function well when one party controls everything.

We should have a campaign to return America to a representative form of government. We should focus on the issue that dominance by one party causes representative government to be replaced by a dictatorial form of government.

Under this general theme of the dangers of a one party rule should fall the proof of the argument – healthcare reform, cap and trade, the decision to try 9/11 terrorists in NY City and on and on.

My thought is not to lessen the concern about healthcare, it is to make the argument more powerful by having it be a component of a unifying concern.

If Newt had not used it already, I would be suggesting a theme called "Taking back America".

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**victoria fleischer says:**

March 25, 2010 at 10:58 am



damn democrats, maybe if this bill had been passed during the republican administrations, a friend of mine would not have died from a septic infection brought on by an abscessed tooth that no one would treat, or maybe my 59 year old friend could actually buy health insurance since not one company will sell to him because of an under control heart condition. and how ugly is it that my 19 year old daughter will still be covered on my plan since she is not in school and just beginning to eak out a living. Oh, how horrible this is. and all the republicans have done through this whole ugly process is say no, nothing is broken so nothing needs to be fixed. and who is in the pocket of insurance and drug companies! probably all of them and my respect for government continues to plummet. And interesting that you have such a secret way to create jobs (non governmental jobs I'm sure) in this state, since the entire country and much of the world is in an economic slump, not just Ohio under one governor's watch. If you have the secret to creating private sector jobs, why don't you start now!

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**Doug Young says:**

March 25, 2010 at 11:07 am



John,

I agree with you. I do not think 2700 pages of bureaucracy added to our health care system will lower cost. It just moves more control to the federal level and reduces our individual freedoms. Massive Taxes increases have never led to economic growth. I run a small business and when taxes increase , it reduces capitol which restricts growth and economic activity slows. Plain and simple. More regulation is ridiculous at anytime especially now with the Ohio economy struggling.

By the way, if the bill was so good , why couldn't they pass it when the Democrats had majorities in both the Senate and the House? Hmmm? Why all the deals in the first place? If it is a strong idea, why not argue on its merits?

Why not tout the workings of the bill BEFORE passage? Just thoughts.

Keep it up John!!!!

Sincerely

Doug Young

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**Rich says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:08 am**

I am tired of those who complain that their premiums will increase because insurance companies now have to insure those with pre-existing conditions. Take a look at how much premiums have increased with all those people being denied coverage. A 130% increase in the last ten years, that is how much rates have increased, and it was likely to continue at that pace without some drastic reforms.

Here is my story. I had insurance. I am and have been self-employed for many years. I had a private plan through Anthem in Colorado. Then, I was diagnosed with hemochromatosis which resulted in the development of cirrhosis of the liver. Luckily, it is very early stage, and since the cause has been addressed, which was too much iron in my body, I should be able to live with it without it becoming worse.

However, for personal reasons, I moved here to Ohio. Upon moving, Anthem told me that I would be given a policy in Ohio similar to the one I had in Colorado, even with my pre-existing conditions, because supposedly Anthem had a reciprocal agreement with Anthem in other states. In the end, all Anthems are owned by Wellpointe. Well guess what? They denied me coverage. I had coverage for years in Colorado with them, but now, given the opportunity, they got me out of their system, because I am now too high of a risk.

Now, to be fair, I was offered a guaranteed issue policy. Of course, it was nowhere near as good as my old policy. It had a lower lifetime limit of \$1 million, and the deductible was \$3500, and of course, the premium was \$900 per month, just for me. Basically, it would cost me over \$14,000 per year, just for myself. On top of that, they wanted to double the rates on my two boys. Luckily, Aetna insured my boys for about the same amount as in the past. My old policy cost me \$350 per month with a \$1000 deductible.

This is how the insurance companies operate. Instead of finding ways to actually reduce costs, they just cut coverage to anyone who becomes too expensive. This is not the way insurance was meant to work. If insurance companies only want to insure healthy people, then we need a real change, and hopefully this new healthcare legislation is the beginning.

Now, let me tell you a story about costs. This is something that truly upsets me, and it shows how screwed up this current system is. It also tells me that costs can be reduced dramatically if billing paperwork was reduced, and there was more competition in medicine in general. The treatment for hemochromatosis is the removal of iron from the body, which is accomplished through phlebotomies (removal of blood). Over 18 months, they took 90 pints of blood out of me to remove all of the iron. Now, I just need to have a phlebotomy once every three months or so to keep my iron levels normal. But here is what I learned. Since I now have to pay out of my pocket for my treatment, I looked around. What I found is quite frustrating. When my insurance company was paying for the phlebotomies, they paid approximately \$400 per phlebotomy. The hospital actually billed around \$600, but the insurance only paid \$400. By paying cash, I get the same exact treatment for \$150. So how is it that the same treatment can be done for basically one third of the cost? And how many other medical procedures could actually be done for half or one third of what we are currently charged?

There are answers out there to reduce costs without lowering quality of service, but under the current system, there are no incentives to reduce those costs. The stupid thing is that nobody talks about any of this. Whichever side you talk to, you get one blanket answer, and neither side has an effective answer to reduce costs because everyone is trying to protect their own interests rather than finding solutions that will benefit everyone.

So in the end, I'll take this new legislation. It won't reduce costs, but at least I will be able to purchase insurance again at a fair price. I didn't choose to become sick, and being denied coverage even when I had coverage in the past just shows how bad our current system is. That on top of the massive increases in premiums is more than enough proof to me that the old way is not doing anyone any good.

[Log in to Reply](#)**George Mooter says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:09 am**

John, I couldn't agree more with your view on the HealthCare bill and the ramifications it presents to Ohio and the rest of the country. It has been obvious for a great while to anyone with even a bit's worth of common sense that tort reform and allowing for competition across state lines will work wonders in creating a more favorable way of addressing these issues. Altho I do not fully agree,

nor do I fully disagree with your position on pre-existing conditions, I do see that it would need to be addressed on some level.

I am looking forward to November and helping vote you in to the Governor's Office.

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**Ron in Worthington says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:10 am**



This is a great start. Honestly, I've all but given up on the GOP to represent true conservative values. But this blog post gives me a glimmer of hope.

I'm worried that many Republicans are posers, pretenders, RINOs (republicans in name only), and when we take the senate and house back, many GOP members will simply go back to their pseudo-Democrat positions on issues (can anyone say John McCain?).

While I think some GOP politicians are sincere about their conservatism, I think many more are simply not. And I have no reason to believe otherwise when I keep seeing the same faces on Meet The Press, CSPAN, etc, that I've seen for the last two decades.

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**Kathleen says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:12 am**



This administration has proven they have no desire to work across party lines to build a consensus. They prefer the bully pulpit. They have continued to ignore the voice of the people. I find it increasingly hard to listen to any of the progressives in Washington. They have been deceptive...from the top on down. We have watched over these months how they operate. I'm not voting for any democrats in 2010 or 2012. They are not worthy of our votes. They play games with the voters...and then it all comes down to Pelosi and Reed playing hardball...paying them off with bribes and deals. I find the whole thing disgusting. As I said, they are NOT worthy of our votes. It's time to clean up Washington. We have got to get the democrats out of control of the checkbook and stop the insanity spending that continues to go on. They are bankrupting this country...one big program at a time!!!

Yes, we need health reform. But we do not need this huge take-over (1/6th of our economy). The CBO numbers are deceptive. Garbage in...results in garbage out. Why is it the democrats refuse to listen to governor's who have made changes in their states regarding health care, that have proven results? Folks they are risking all of our futures. They are burdening us with a debt we cannot pay, a debt our children and grandchildren cannot pay. It's time to WAKE-UP AMERICA!!!! They've got a very liberal/socialist agenda and they have a majority in the house and senate. If we don't vote them out, we have no one to blame but ourselves. It's time for us to all get involved in this upcoming election. We need to vote John Kasich in as our next Governor...and vote out every democrat in the house and senate that we can! As I said, they are not worthy of our votes!!!

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**Bill G says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:13 am**



The bill does nothing to control medical cost which means the private health insurance will eventually be eliminated and only government health insurance will be available. The 32 million Americans without insurance that were touted to be covered with the bill's passage aren't eligible until 2019! REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER! Vote against these politicians and put your money behind those that support your issues.

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**Marty Luxeder says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:15 am**



John

I hope as governor you will stress State's Rights and not succumb to pressure from the Federal Government.

We are the United States, not the USSR!

Keep going strong, we are all with you!

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**Kurt says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:15 am**

@ John — March 25, 2010 @ 10:44 am — #69



You count Obama to the "moderate wing" of the Democrats? OMG – then I don't want to know who is leftist...

If you see Obama's agenda and the guys behind Obama, like Soros, who gave an interview in Germany, stating, that America needs now a Socialism such as in Europe, or the people he surrounds (and surrounded the last 30 years) himself with, than you cannot seriously say, that Obama is a moderate!

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**Angelo Campanella says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:16 am**



The recent passage of bocare shows the predicament we are in– Out-of Control government. Bocare is prohibition in a pants suit. The Investor's Business Daily has an article today describing that Physician-owned hospitals must go through a new bureaucratic approval process before opening. Such processes will curb and possibly eliminate new builds for physician-owned hospitals. That's just one of the few inhibitions that are now enabled. This forces more patients onto an already stressed existing health care system.

Understand that we live in a time of new superstitions (global warming) and new witchcraft (carbon sequestration). What's real and true is the intentions of the sponsors (new taxes, cap-and-trade being the overt example). We all must be true to ourselves; this IS the liberals' Socialist agenda.

The only way to counter this recent trend is to SELECT and vote-in conservative candidates that understand these facts and who will repeal these follies, or replace them with true conservative acts.

This means that John Kasich and others have to conduct a winning campaign.

In our doing that, I must point out that in politics and in war, there is no "Overkill". There is only Victory.

So all of us have to put on our thinking caps to produce valid and winning arguments with the public, and adequate fund-raising.

My humble thoughts (I's a self-employed physicist and engineer in my senior years):

Man-made global warming is mostly a myth. I calculate that at best, the rate of burning of fuels may raise the average global temperature by one degree Fahrenheit. If we stopped burning the stuff, that degree would go away.

Increased carbon dioxide in the air has little or no effect on weather. Water & water vapor (moisture, humidity, clouds) are the DOMINANT greenhouse gas. They are totally responsible for "weather" as we know it. Carbon dioxide only has an effect in the stratosphere and upper atmosphere where there is little or no water vapor. So, adding more carbon dioxide in the air, after it migrates up there, will heat the upper atmosphere a bit more in the daytime, and cool it more at night. It also may mean warmer summers and colder winters... perhaps by the one degree Fahrenheit I mentioned. Not a big deal. On the average, it's a "zero-sum game". So the best thing to do is ignore the whole greenhouse issue. Period. Wast not one penny more on that myth.

Because of this myth, Carbon Sequestration is pure FOLLY. Waste no more tax dollars on such insanity. Power companies are now wasting millions of dollars of subscriber money and federal funds chasing this ghost. Cease and desist, I say.

Health care reform is now perverted into Bureaucracy Expansion (another "cap-and-trade"). The immediate formation of federal staffing – including the many "Czars" as is clear evidence of this. Engaging in the details of the script of this "bill" written to date can take our attention away from the real task at hand... the expulsion of the Democratic Party leakers from office ASAP.

————Angelo Campanella

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**Jerry Tillett says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:18 am**

This health care bill has already begun to show negative affects on the economy. Verizon raised it's rates the day after the signing citing increased health insurance costs due to this bill. It is just another way for the Government to control our lives. Ohio should join the fight to stop it. Ted Strickland is a HUGE disappointment. Kasich for Governor!

[Log in to Reply](#)**Violet Hammer says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:20 am**

My question to the government is where are they going to get enough doctors to treat all these new enrollees???? As a senior citizen I will have less care and if my doctor goes out of business where do I go for a new one???

[Log in to Reply](#)**Rich says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:22 am**

"My husband & I worked very hard for many years, raised 4 sons, and with the new act we'll be punished because our income is over \$250K. Why should I pay more tax when I have insurance that we pay a \$4200 deductible per year plus a premium contribution? The solution is to quite your job and go on Medicaid?"

Comment by Claire — March 25, 2010 @ 10:56 am

I think you are right. You should donate all of your assets to charity, quit your job/business, and live like a poor person. Maybe then you would understand how the majority of Americans are struggling.

People who make a good living love to complain about how much they pay in taxes already. And it is true that you pay a bit more than everyone else. But the fact is that you don't pay nearly as much more than the average Joe as you may think. While you pay much more in Federal taxes, those with much lower incomes see a greater percentage of their income go to FICA taxes, local sales and property taxes, energy taxes, sin taxes, and on and on. On top of that, there is no way out of those taxes. There are no business write-offs and special perks. In the end, the average Joe pays only slightly less in total taxes as a percentage of income than you pay.

What you ought to understand is that in order to keep what you have earned over the years, it will require a strong economy and a strong middle class. If we lose the middle class, the rich or well to do will find themselves not nearly as well to do. Those in the middle class are the ones who purchase the vast majority of goods in this country. Without their buying power, everything will collapse. Then we will have an economy like that of Mexico, where there are two classes, a few very wealthy, and everyone else basically poor.

[Log in to Reply](#)**Kathy Sender says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:27 am**

Do not states rights supersede federal beaurocratic mandates. In exchange from abstaining from the rancid free cheese the DNC would dole out in dribbles and drabs while taking away from MediCARE (that funded by workers who worked for decades paying into the 'system' that now leaves them hanging) and have Ohio legislate our own businesses, our Attorney General file suit to give us our freedom to earn our livelihood, enjoy our freedom and pursue our happiness without the burden of pre-funding another fraud such as the bank 'bail-out' which allowed execs their golden parachutes and CapitalBank to purchase naming rights to the new Yankee Stadium.

[Log in to Reply](#)**mark lecky says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:28 am**

I would like to be a part of a push to the AG's office to file suit against the un-Constitutional health care mandate as other states are now doing. Our AG has stated it is a waste of time and will not

pursue it. If enough Ohioans want it fought we should have the right to fight it. Have you started a petition to the AG yet. This would be a powerful campaign message if you can lead the charge.

Thank you

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**Ed Smith says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:30 am**



Well over 80% of those without health care CHOSE NOT to purchase it. I have one of these leeches in my own family. They are waiting for the government to buy it for them meaning you and me. I worked for over 55 years and always paid for my family's health care. I never took one cent of any kind of public funded compensation even though I had to commute 500 miles during the last 20 years of my employment. Now I find my retirement funds diluted by 40% because of the liberal knotheads running our country are forcing me to "share my wealth" There are and always will be people truly in need and our country has never failed them until now when because of government interference we are prevented from helping by having our life savings appropriated by this little Hitler and his democrat and Republican consorts. As A Mason I have seen the effect of this criminal action by what used to be a nation of ,for, and by the people but now is a group of self serving hoodlums who are destroying a benovelent free childrens hospital program administerd by the Shriners. Also the vilification of all private American business bn this sorry government and it's news media lackeys. Insurance companies in particular have been targeted with lie after lie. I have been dealing with insurance companies for nearly sixty years and have always been treated fairly, However I have known more than one liberal idiot who has bragged about ripping off the insurance company. I am sick of this facist government and all of the Republican party and it's parent party; the Democrats. Our country is heading down the exact path that Germany did in the 1930's

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**DavidK says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:31 am**



People don't realize that the quality of their healthcare is going to seriously decline now. I'm personally concerned that a family member's long successful small business is going to be severely impacted. All cost increases are going to come back to us. By the way, is congress subject to this reform or is there a loophole for them?

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**Dr. David Ryan says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:31 am**



Simply stated, what incentive will exist for doctors to learn more, or try harder? If you never got a raise, never were evaluated, then why would you try harder?

Medicare, Medicaid, and Veterans Hospitals are all a mess, people avoid using them, but are shoved into them. Even baseball only gives you three tries, now apparently we are going to see the fourth strike. I'm not even holding a bat right now. How disturbing that our leaders don't even listen to what the people are saying. This is just a mask to vent money to the democratic party, just like Ohio has done with the BWC system, right Mr. Voinovich? Go ahead ask him about his campaign funds?

<http://voinovich.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=Contact.ContactForm>

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**Steve Curtis says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:34 am**



Many don't realize the Healthcare bill is a life preserver being thrown to the Unions. Union medical benefits are hopelessly underfunded and Union Leadership is desperate for a way to unload their obligations onto the tax paying public.

The few surviving tax payers soon be responsible not only for our own meager benefits, but also for the gold plated plans negotiated by Unions for the last 25 years.

It's time to say NO.

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**Marv & Betsy Edwards says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:34 am**

My Oh My Oh My!!!!

We have never bought a car or home without first looking at them and then making a decision on it. Recently we found we have just bought an overpriced farm (with a lot of pork) and we never got to see it.(OBAMA HEALTH CARE 2010)

YOU GO, JOHN. We are behind you and when you get in, maybe you can help us to re-sell the overpriced farm to someone who wants it. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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**Donald Smith says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:35 am**

I agree with you, however, people who have not paid for insurance there entire life and now have some medical condition that keeps them from getting insurance should not have a free ride. They should pay some higher premium to pay for all the years they did not pay for insurance. The bill the democrats passed is nothing short of communism, forcing people to buy or send them to jail.

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**Maggie says:****March 25, 2010 at 11:36 am**

This is truly an Obamanation and an insult to our Constitutional rights. Enclosed copy of email from a retired attorney below. Frightening!

The Truth About the Health Care Bills – Michael Connelly, Ret. Constitutional Attorney

Well, I have done it! I have read the entire text of proposed House Bill 3200: The Affordable Health Care Choices Act of 2009.. I studied it with particular emphasis from my area of expertise, constitutional law. I was frankly concerned that parts of the proposed law that were being discussed might be unconstitutional. What I found was far worse than what I had heard or expected.

To begin with, much of what has been said about the law and its implications is in fact true, despite what the Democrats and the media are saying. The law does provide for rationing of health care, particularly where senior citizens and other classes of citizens are involved, free health care for illegal immigrants, free abortion services, and forced participation in abortions by members of the medical profession.

The Bill will also eventually force private insurance companies out of business, and put everyone into a government run system.. All decisions about personal health care will ultimately be made by federal bureaucrats, and most of them will not be health care professionals.

Hospital admissions, payments to physicians, and allocations of necessary medical devices will be strictly controlled by the government.

However, as scary as all of that is, it just scratches the surface. In fact, I have concluded that this legislation really has no intention of providing affordable health care choices. Instead it is a convenient cover for the most massive transfer of power to the Executive Branch of government that has ever occurred, or even been contemplated If this law or a similar one is adopted, major portions of the Constitution of the United States will effectively have been destroyed.

The first thing to go will be the masterfully crafted balance of power between the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches of the U.S. Government. The Congress will be transferring to the Obama Administration authority in a number of different areas over the lives of the American people, and the businesses they own.

The irony is that the Congress doesn't have any authority to legislate in most of those areas to begin with! I defy anyone to read the text of the U.S. Constitution and find any authority granted to the members of Congress to regulate health care.

This legislation also provides for access, by the appointees of the Obama administration, of all of your personal healthcare direct violation of the specific provisions of the 4th Amendment to the Constitution information, your personal financial information, and the information of your employer, physician, and hospital. All of this is a protecting against unreasonable searches and seizures.. You can also forget about the right to privacy. That will have been legislated into oblivion regardless of what the

3rd and 4th Amendments may provide.

If you decide not to have healthcare insurance, or if you have private insurance that is not deemed acceptable to the Health Choices Administrator appointed by Obama, there will be a tax imposed on you. It is called a tax instead of a fine because of the intent to avoid application of the due process clause of the 5th Amendment. However, that doesn't work because since there is nothing in the law that allows you to contest or appeal the imposition of the tax, it is definitely depriving someone of property without the due process of law.

So, there are three of those pesky amendments that the far left hate so much, out the original ten in the Bill of Rights, that are effectively nullified by this law. It doesn't stop there though.

The 9th Amendment that provides: The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people;

The 10th Amendment states: The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are preserved to the States respectively, or to the people. Under the provisions of this piece of Congressional handiwork neither the people nor the states are going to have any rights or powers at all in many areas that once were theirs to control.

I could write many more pages about this legislation, but I think you get the idea. This is not about health care; it is about seizing power and limiting rights. Article 6 of the Constitution requires the members of both houses of Congress to "be bound by oath or affirmation to support the Constitution.." If I was a member of Congress I would not be able to vote for this legislation or anything like it, without feeling I was violating that sacred oath or affirmation. If I voted for it anyway, I would hope the American people would hold me accountable.

For those who might doubt the nature of this threat, I suggest they consult the source, the US Constitution, and Bill of Rights. There you can see exactly what we are about to have taken from us.

Michael Connelly  
Retired attorney,  
Constitutional Law Instructor  
Carrollton, Texas

WE MUST HOLD CONGRESS ACCOUNTABLE

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**MARY G says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:38 am**



Obama's healthcare bill is nothing more than a take-over & transformation of our system. This Obama healthcare bill is a catalyst for the people & unionization (unions/SEIU). The total compilation of Obama & his administration, as I perceive, is the omega of our republic. This compilation includes: healthcare, immigration, financial institutions (including the Federal Reserve), Fanny Mae, land & property take-over, distribution, all of The Clower-Piven plan & the reformation proceedings of the felony offender voting rights, etc...Obama's healthcare plan needs to be STOPPED before it's classified as a "UTILITY" & classified as constitutional. ONE TO THINK ABOUT: Obama is breaking apart America's financial system in a big way. Much is written about "THE MOB" & "The Beast". Obama's healthcare plan ("IF" classified as a UTILITY), could be the onset of carrying out the plans of the BEAST in the Book of Revelations & the ELIMINATION OF CURRENCY altogether; which includes, the elimination of the CENSUS, COST, PAPER TRAILS, BUROCRACY, ETC...JUST A THOUGHT.. THINK ABOUT IT!!

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**Maggie says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:43 am**



Barbara Ramirez is a true American Patriot!

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**Helena Brus says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:43 am**



The Congress members have their own upper-class health insurance coverage that will

follow them when they leave their elected office. If they had to take part in Obamacare, you can be sure they'd be pulling apart the bill and eliminating all the invasive, freedom losing, IRS reviewing passages.

John, we need you as Governor. I've only been in Ohio for a few years; it's such a great state and so many other Americans have no clue about us; thus we're losing our young people and not attracting others. Why does Ohio need an income tax; I've lived in three states that we tax-free and all the cities I've lived in before had no city tax. What does Ohio and Columbus do with all that money?

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**Jack Shaffer says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:44 am**

Bad Bill, Arrogant Democrats, Shoved Down Our Throats. Fiscally Irresponsible. What Else Could Go Wrong.



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**Jeff says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:44 am**

The issue comes back to the same thing, are the taxpayers responsible for the well-being of each person within the borders of the US? If one says yes, then does the US Constitution authorize the federal government to provide such well-being? If yes again, then at what cost? If one's response is at any cost, then be prepared for our AAA rating to be dropped and the USA to default on its bonds. When that happens, they can pass all the laws they want, there will be no money to implement it. One can confiscate all the wealth of the top 50% of the country and could not pay off the national debt (over \$14 trillion by end of the fiscal year, Sept. 30). Additionally, the former CBO director, Mr. Walker, states that there is already \$60 trillion of unfunded mandates for the next 20 years on the books now. The federal government is broke, Ohio and a growing percentage of states are broke. It would be wonderful if all people had a home, had a car, had health care upon demand, had legal services upon demand, had all the necessities of life. But, it is just not financially possible. As Margaret Thatcher once said about socialism, "you eventually run out of other people's money." Ohio, like many states, is back to square one and the government can only do so much. It will take the people, not the government, to turn it around and Kasich understands this. Kasich proved his fiscal responsibility while in Congress and every state needs such a governor and state house. It is interesting that the one state that is in good shape is Texas, and their legislature meets occasionally and they have resisted the temptation to take federal money. They let their people grow the economy and don't get caught-up in class warfare.



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**Mark says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:56 am**

John my wife and I are really glad to see you run for governor. You have our vote. We are over the road truck drivers and travel the lower 48 and Canada.

I a person were to visit truck stops across this country

You would be hard pressed to find support for this President's reforms. People are really watching what is happening in this country and don't like it. The trucking industry is really a diverse group of people from many nationalities, religions urban, rural communities.

College, high school and no degree education. But all are Professional Drivers that just want the opportunity

To make a good living. We need the government to be responsible to those that hired them, the voter, the people who pay their wages and benefits. This year many will get fired or. A vote of NO!

Keep up the good work and be responsible and we will hire you.

Mark and Elyse



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**Don Hetzer says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:59 am**

John,

If you were the Governor of Ohio right now what would you do about the current "Health Care" bill to protect Ohio citizens? Would you join the other states in their lawsuits?



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**lynn says:****March 25, 2010 at 12:01 pm**

as a small business i will not be doing any hiring, and those that are here now....her's your pink slip,sorry, but this is the govts fault, call obamy and egg his house....

[Log in to Reply](#)**Mike says:****March 25, 2010 at 12:15 pm**

I am a conservative and as angry as anyone else about the current bill. Here is the only problem with John's solution. If you ban exclusion of pre-existing conditions, then that drives prices up, and more and more young healthy people, many of whom already go without coverage, will choose to opt out of coverage. This creates an untenable situation and a death spiral for insurers.

Ideas like portability will help this. You require people to buy insurance (and maintain continuous coverage) ONLY if they want the right to keep the portability. You can't wait to buy until you get the condition.

Then we have to deal with issues of state regulation. As much as it pains me to say this, Health Insurance is a matter of interstate commerce and by having a system of state regulation, you restrict competition. Only the 3-4 large players can deal with the myriad of multiple state laws. The small players can't, so are only one state or regional, and thereby limited in the market they can pursue.

[Log in to Reply](#)**John says:****March 25, 2010 at 12:15 pm**

Comment by Kurt — March 25, 2010 @ 11:15 am

Kurt, please stop reading anonymous conservative emails and believing conspiracy theories. I know you WANT to believe the worst in Obama because you're a conservative, but that doesn't make all this "socialist" smear stuff fact. You're being misled.

This healthcare bill is basically what conservatives were putting forward in the 1990s as a moderate bill. Now, suddenly, it's socialism?

Kurt, I'm a ten-year veteran of the U.S. Military Intelligence Community and I have a PhD in Political Science. I know socialism when I see it. Put simply, Obama ain't it. I want to protect the country as much as you do – but please don't buy all these conspiracy theories, they're baseless allegations to get you scared and charged up – which apparently they've achieved.

Watch PBS newshour, read the Economist, and skip all the other publications. Fox is full of conservative slant bordering on the ridiculous, MSNBC is lefty crap bordering on the ridiculous as well. Read objective journalism and stop believing all the hyper-partisan smears.

I've said my piece and this will be my last post. God bless you and God bless America.

John

[Log in to Reply](#)**Charles Voigt Jr says:****March 25, 2010 at 12:16 pm**

John,

The passing of Obamacare was nothing short of a crime, the severity of which constitutes both a High Crime and an Act of War against each and every citizen of these United States.

Obama and his ilk are sworn to UPHOLD and DEFEND the Constitution. Instead, what they've just done is trample it. We are now individuals whose liberties are under siege from our own government. The Rule of Law is truly dead, as evidenced by the fact that there is one set of rules for the ruling class and a completely different set for the "commoners". I won't get into specifics here because we both know it to be true.

Sir, back in 1988 you nominated me as your choice for the person in your district to be the best qualified person to attend the United States Air Force Academy. That same year, I also earned scholarships from both the US Air Force and the US Army ROTC programs. Please believe me when I say that I fully and completely understand these issues that I have raised and I cannot and will not sit idly by while the crimes against us continue to occur.

I have recently joined the cause and am running as a Franklin County Central Committee candidate for the Republican Party here in Westerville (Ward 2). I am coming for those who refuse to give us good candidates to choose from who will fervently obey the Rule of Law and our Constitutions.

In saying this, I support your cause and your campaign and wish you the best of luck.

With Regards,  
Charles F. Voigt, Jr.

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**Larry Shredl says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 12:18 pm**



If elected would you work to repeal the unlawfull health care bill, join the other states that are filing lawsuits or find a way to exempt the people of Ohio? Washington is not listening to the people.

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**John W. Neenan says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 12:26 pm**



Now is the time to start action on repealing this bill. We need to take both houses over in 2010 and get a new president and have this bill repealed in 2013.

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**Catherine Rope says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 12:31 pm**



Your comments are appreciated. I am making the drive down to Cincinnati on April 15th to see you with Sean Hannity. I'll certainly have my questions ready!

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**Petra says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 12:36 pm**



John I agree that it is something that should be handled by the states, however, when I look at the mess MA is in with their health care plan, I don't think I want to see Ohio doing anything like that. There are so many other better ideas like local clinics, which some churches in Columbus are already operating with volunteers and they are serving those without insurance.

Obamacare is nothing but a Federal power grab and must be blocked in Ohio. I believe it is not Constitutional, but sadly I think many people don't care about our Constitution anymore. I am afraid of what it's going to do to the economy and to our taxes. I pay enough taxes already and don't think most of us can afford to pay more.

I agree that we must also have tort reform and allow insurance companies to cross state lines, among other things as well.

A big part of the reason costs are currently out of control is because the government is already in control of so much health care and legislation that just doesn't make sense.

I just don't understand the entitlement mentality of many Americans today. There was a time I didn't have health insurance and when I was sick I couldn't afford health care, but I never thought to myself that it was an American right for me to have it paid for by the government (which is really other tax payers).

Thomas Sowell has some great articles "Alice In Health Care" and others that have some great insight on the current problems and ideas on how to fix them.

<http://www.jewishworldreview.com/cols/sowell1.asp>

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**Mary Phillips says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 12:36 pm**



The way this was pushed through without a care for what the people want. Arrogant —  
—!!!! I

don't mind helping those that can't help themselves but.....when has the government put their hands in anything and done it more efficiently? Why do THEY always have to make huge changes, why can't small changes be made to make the health care system better. And if this bill is so great why don't they replace their health insurance with it??????

Mary

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**Cherry Wilson says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 12:38 pm**



I know there are pro's and con's as to whether we join the other states and the law suits that are being filed against the Federal Government for completely ignoring the Constitution but I'm wondering what they would do if more than 1/2 of the States took this option. Seems to me if Obama wants to use the 50/51 vote scenario, then the States should be able to do the same thing. Maybe we can get 27 or 28 States and then we'd have the equivalent of the "219".

I'm just curious, is there anybody else out there that has really looked at Nancy P and thinks she just might be a little on the drunk side. Her eyes roll around and she can't make eye contact when she is speaking not to mention the fact that nothing she says makes sense and then there's all those times the news media is covering her walking with a group of people and you always see someone take her elbow and pull her back into the group as she doesn't seem to be able to "walk a straight line". Just wondering.

As far as the democrats out there that are snubbing their noses at the American People, I can't wait to cast my vote in November!!!

And a side note to any Republican's out there that want to ride the fence rail and aren't brave enough to stand up to them, we vote you out too!!

I'm impressed with what I'm reading and hearing about you Mr. Kasich, DON'T DISAPPOINT ME!

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**Linda says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 12:53 pm**



WE HAVE TO GET YOU ELECTED !!!!

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**Dave B. says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:08 pm**



John Kasich, you are wrong!

You are wrong about Insurance Corporation Reform, Jobs in Ohio and just about everything else. What country are you from and how long have you been hiding under your corporate payoffs? It seems that you don't care about the people that live in this country.

The only thing you have done is talk about things that are the fault of Free Trade and a republican failure to provide oversight on behalf of the American people. These items have nothing to do with the Governor of Ohio, past or present.

Due to your lack of support for the people in this country and this state, I will do everything within my abilities to prevent you from being involved in this government.

If you don't give a damn about the people that live in America and Ohio, then why don't you just pack your bags and get out.

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**Angela says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:13 pm**



I have a very rare and serious chronic illness. I am extremely concerned with the healthcare bill. Doctors barely have an understanding of the illness and are learning by trying new procedures to see if it helps. I could die if I have to wait for some government official to decide if a procedure is covered/needed. How can some politician know more than my specialists? They don't. We don't have to wait until November to get rid of these jokes we have for leaders of this great nation. Who knows the kind of damage they could do by then. We need to get them out of office NOW!!!! When Pelosi has an 89% disapproval rating, she should be put out of office NOW!!! How shameful it is what we have allowed our country to become. We have become so complacent with our freedoms, that we forgot to fight when they were starting to be taken away. It is time to stand up and fight, and take back this country and bring it back to what our forefathers planned and dreamed it to be.

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**Wanda says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:17 pm**



I agree with you wholeheartedly! And, I also hope our Ohio Attorney General will add their name to those states who have already challenged the legality of the HealthCare bill that has been jammed down our throats! You have my vote also.

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**C. Patrick says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:18 pm**



What happened to Paula Gluntz? She was hilarious! As a conservative, I welcome her views and ask her to post as much as possible to as many sites as she can. It never hurts to hear divergent positions and opinions, especially when they reinforce the views that we already hold.

Come back Paula! Come back!

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**markmassa says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:32 pm**



John Kasich- you are an idiot

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**M. Phillips says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:38 pm**



Thank you for your insight!

Now I am going to ask that you stop playing "My team vs Your team" (Republican vs Democrat), and just work for all of us that pay YOUR bills. Just use the time you have wasted with this whiney e-mail to work for the american people. If you think it is broken, work harder to fix it.

Thank you

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**Homer Loftis says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:47 pm**



I guess I am confused. Yes, it is wrong to force someone to do something UNLESS it affects someone else. Well, those who can and fail to buy insurance because they know they will get taking care off anyway whether they can pay for it or not I believe affects others since they will incur higher costs as a result of the losses of the medical community because of your action.

So we pay more and hurt our budget because you are to good to be a good American. Probably was against seving your country as well. We need to again work together and produce a Country that as God wants"respect

all" not just a few. This why this country was formed and was very sucessful for years. Now it is my way or the highway. Yes, I will not be around much longer but feel for my grandchildren. Lies and

selfishness does not get it done.

While I have voted mostly GOP during my long life time will not do so 100% this time. Those following "Of the people, for the people and for the people" will get my vote. Not of a few, for a few and by a few, this got us in trouble in the 20s and today.

Good luck all! Us war vets love the USA.

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**Tom Costine says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:50 pm**



John; what a pleasure to listen to you , you remind me of the GREAT Governor James A. Rhodes

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**Terry Finneran says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:54 pm**



Obama is like a teenage girl at the mall going wild with Daddy's credit card.

I attended the rally at MJ Kilroy's ofc last week. Those opposing this radical bill outnumbered those in favor by about 4 to 1 but the local news reported it as if there was parity-interesting.

We talked with some of those in favor of the bill and their overriding sentiment seemed to be "as long as we get health care relief, I don't really care where the money comes from".

I think many of these people would follow something over the cliff if it had "FREE" pasted on it's behind. This country is in trouble because the radical idiots are now in charge.

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**Cheryl says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:56 pm**



We have to do something about health care in this country now. So, if the State of Ohio believes the Obama plan is going to ruin our economic growth potential, let's get the Ohio legislators together to come up with a plan for our state that will override the federal plan. It must be affordable for all (even if it means the rich have to pay more for their care so the poor can pay something). There will most likely be a portion of the population that will have to receive their health care free. There's no way you can ask someone who is making \$1100 or \$1200 a month to pay \$300 for health insurance. For that matter, my son, who averages about \$1200 a month in wages and pays \$300 in child support would barely be able to eke out \$50 for health insurance. The plan must make full coverage available for those with existing health conditions at the same costs as everyone else. Sorry folks, but you cannot take care away from sick people. Chances are those people paid for health insurance for many years when they were healthy. Taking it away now that they need it is neither fair nor smart. You can't leave people at home waiting to die because there's no place in the health care system for them. And I agree with Mr Kasich that it's time to get rid of all the lawyers and frivolous law suits that drive up medical costs. It's called the "practice of medicine" for a reason. We can't sue our doctors and hospitals everytime some unforeseen result occurs. Sometimes, life just happens. And one last thing I'd like to see. We have to stop treating dental care like it's a cosmetic process. Dental care needs to be part of medical care. If Ohio can do better than Obama, have at it. I'll support any legislation that ultimately provides medical and dental care without regard to income. Everyone should be able to call and see a doctor anytime they need...not just when they have the money to pay for the appointment.

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**terri says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 1:59 pm**



John, I agree completely with the 3 issues you outlined. My 4th desire is to not have any federal funds fund abortions. This healthcare bill is wrong. If it wasn't it would not have been so difficult to pass and they would not have had the need to sell us (Americans, citizens of this beautiful country) out in so many sleazy deals. As with my business, I believe the best way to implement a new program is to implement it in phases. Start small, start sensible and learn as we go. Please stand firm. Our country needs men and women of courage, not weakness.

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**MJ says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 2:00 pm**



I totally agree...most (not all) of health care bill is not good for Americans who are working and have ethics. But Obama and the democrats don't really care what is best for Americans. Obama's goal is to weaken and bankrupt America. It's very disheartening to realize that there are so many democrats that apparently want the same thing. They are either anti-American as Obama is, or they are just ignorant as to understanding what is in the bill, or they are just sheep being led by a leader that they would follow no matter how bad he is...just because he's a democrat.

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**peggy Minor says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 2:03 pm**



As a member of the Cincinnati Tea Party Group, I feel as though I am very involved and last night My husband and I also attended the meeting for candidates running for office in Southern Ohio as well as treasurer etc.They were all calling for putting the state on a diet so to speak and cutting back on the government size and interference. Both of us took petition forms home for putting the removal of the state estate tax on the ballot. As we are the 4th most highly taxed state with the least to show for it, there was thunderous applause!!!!...File suit over states rights not to enforce unconstitutional forced health care and lets take the US back state by state. People from all over the world have fled here, to get away from socialism, Marxism , corruption etc and now they may want to go home..I would not blame them. Even Canadians who came to get away from Canadian health care now have to look for somewhere else to take their family. Canada sends billions of dollars the the US Mayo, Cleveland Clinic, Johns Hopkins for treating canadians that they cannot handle..Even the prime minister came to the states recently for heart surgery.. What does that tell you..We are behind you and hope you have the fire to absolutely crush the opposition...Peggy Minor

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**Shelley Chelman says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 2:29 pm**



I agree with your analysis of the process that was used to pass this bill and also with the consequences for all of us. I would love to see you work to enact tort reform as soon as you take office. This would lessen the outrageous burden placed on physicians for their malpractice insurance. I would also like to see you pursue similar legislation that the Citizens Power Campaign is pursuing in California to stop unions from using the dues people are forced to pay for political purposes. Similar legislation was passed in Idaho and has been upheld by the Supreme Court. We can not move forward with job creation unless we begin to peel back the control that unions have taken over in the areas of politics and manufacturing.

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**Charlotte Gibson says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 2:43 pm**



You go John!!

The health care reform should be state-specific. Since each state has specific problems, cultural and economic differences, the health care reform should be based on those factors.

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**Angelo Campanella says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 2:45 pm**



Michael Connelly Makes excellent points. The impending Bocare bureaucracy will be, if we don't nip it in the bud NOW, will be most onerous.

I give as an example what I must do, per the existing US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), as a private pilot, to renew my FAA "medical" license to legally fly an airplane: This requires a special local doctor to make a full Medical examination of me at my cost biannually. If I have any "preexisting conditions", a special FAA staff doctor (a paid licensed physician, likely non-practicing, government employee) in Oklahoma City has to review my credentials, namely results of other special tests – blood tests, etc – by my personal physician at my cost previous to that renewal medical examination – to approve that I may fly again. None of this occurs when I renew my Ohio river's license.

Our Quibbling over the details of the recent diabolical Bill only distracts us all from the true task now at hand:

To campaign-design, fund, and win ALL Republican Federal Congressional Seats up for reelection in November, 2010.

That IS the CAUSE immediately at hand.

Angelo Campanella

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**BJPrice says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 2:53 pm**



I am a senior, and have Medicare, and I know this health plan is going to hurt us seniors. My husband and I are just sick of the way our government is run anymore such as outsourcing of jobs, government is getting into our business more and more. I don't agree, like many of you, that name calling and making threats against anyone is not right. I do feel that our government needs a complete overhaul. Our government is getting out of hand. I wondered when the real "war" will begin? Brothers against brothers again...another war within the USA borders.

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**Bruce Wingfield says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 3:17 pm**



What happens if everyone opposed to ObamaCare refuses to buy in? Does the government fine and jail everyone?

I am confronting government, as they confront me. Go to <http://www.EnergyFraud.com> for my first volley into the fray.

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**Bill Miller says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 3:28 pm**



Apparently you weren't important enough to get concessions such as Florida and other states. These seem like reasons to vote against the bill. Looks like you sold out to cheap

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**Shelley Simms says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 3:32 pm**



I am appalled that our government has rammed this down our throats. I am also angry that Ohio is not joining the states filing lawsuits against this bill. Not only can we not afford it, the federal government has taken our individual rights from us. They have not given us anything but debt and government control.

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**Keith Matheny says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 3:35 pm**



Whoa People,

Many of the "Points" made here are all ready being done by the "For Profit" industry for years!

This bill is not perfect, but it's a start.

Question, what dealings have you had with your insurance company? You already pay for those who can't, or won't. Plus add in that MULTI-BILLION profit margin. Bam!

Kasich is just playing you for votes like any career politician, Wake Up!

Time for term limits in congress!

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**Carol Teter says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 3:56 pm**



Paula Gluntz, it's great to express a dissenting opinion, but look at the government's record on creating then attempting to effectively manage other huge programs at tax payer expense like obamacare:  
Medicare BROKE! Medicaid BROKE! The Postal Service BROKE! See a pattern here? obamacare will be more of the same. Carol Teter

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**Thomas Freeman says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 4:14 pm**



I hope that if you are elected, that you keep this frame of mind. I love to hear what you are saying and want the same, as we the people are what the founding fathers said, not we the government. Being a small business owner, I am tired of being punished for that, by the federal, state and local governments. And I am very saddened that the state of Ohio has not filed suit against this Obama care law.

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**Chris Matheny says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 4:22 pm**



I believe in small government, common sense legislation that addresses the issue of rapidly rising costs of the current health care system. While the current system absolutely does need reform to lower cost and add competition for individuals who cannot obtain coverage thru an employer, what the Democrats just passed is a big government social entitlement program that in the long run, will limit choice, create bureaucracy, increases taxes, and decrease quality of service for everyone including those it's intended to help. If congress is permitted to fund and execute this bill as written, America will continue its steady decline into mediocrity. I can only hope that conservative democrats and independents see the true nature of the bill and reverse course through the polls in November so we can pass targeted legislation with a clear purpose instead of a one party power grab aimed at ensuring one party rule for all eternity.

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**June Finch says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 4:29 pm**



John; I used to watch you debate in the House of Representatives on the Federal Budget and you were wonderful. At first I asked who is that young man and your facts and budgeting ideas you put forth on the federal budget at that time were absolutely brilliant. I said to myself, gee there is the man who should be President of the United States with such intellect and knowledge you portrayed before Congress. Our country would absolutely not be in the awful shape it is in today if you could have been at the top of the CBO. You were not only a great representative, mathematician and knew what the real outcomes of the budget would have been but you had the evidence and facts right there before the House of Representatives of what the outcomes would be. Now I question if even you could straighten out the awful debt of the federal government that has been created by our government leaders. We need men of your brilliance and common sense leading us. June Finch

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**Phil from Hilliard says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 4:36 pm**



According to USA Today, the new healthcare legislation will impose multi-billion dollar annual fees on pharmaceutical companies and health insurance companies.

That brings to mind several basic economic questions. First, where do these companies get their money? In the case of insurance companies, their money comes from consumers and/or their employers. For the drug makers, their money comes from consumers and/or their insurance companies (who as we know from above get their money from consumers and their employers).

The second obvious question then is, where will these "corporations" get the money to pay these annual fees? Given that all their money comes from consumers and the businesses that employ them, guess who is going to have to pay more for insurance and/or pharmaceuticals going forward (not to mention the increased costs of the goods or services provided by the companies who have to pay higher insurance premiums)?



Wouldn't it make more sense for the government to simply provide access to insurance coverage for the currently "un-insurable" among the general population? Isn't that kind of the way they underwrite flood insurance coverage, since it is not profitable or feasible for a private company to do it?

That way, the total government outlay would be much lower, since the newly insured would still pay market-based insurance rates with the government only covering the expenses for the uncovered portion.

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**Barbara Ramirez says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 4:42 pm**



THANK YOU,MAGGIE.If you go to the website Freedom Advocates,order the booklet called "Understanding Sustainable Development-Agenda 21" and read it.It explains a complex system which is being instituted across the U.S.,at all levels of government.Our officials are going along with it,probably because they assume that anything to "protect the environment," is good.I don't think those at local levels realize it is a communist agenda.Maybe some do.? It was created by the U.N.,and instituted by Clinton.(He's the one who gave a lot of our national parks to the U.N.,in case you didn't know.)Many of those parks are now being made off limits to us now,as part of this plan. Yes,I am a true patriot,and I fight to maintain our freedoms.So many brave American soldiers have bled and died to keep this country free,and I CRY OUT TO GOD when I see our ignorant, egotistical leaders walking on that blood, esteeming it as NOTHING.THEY ARE NOT WORTHY OF THE OFFICE THEY HOLD, nor to even be called an AMERICAN. God help us bring back the country I was once so proud of.

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**Daniel Schaefer says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 5:33 pm**



Congressman Kasich,

Anything you can do to delay, defund, obstruct, subvert, reduce, repeal, cancel, diffuse, stifle, starve, or otherwise blow up Obama Care is fine with me. This hideous bill cannot be "fixed." You must repeal it or it will destroy our Republic.

Since there are many court challenges already underway by many States, when would it be appropriate to also try a Constitutional Amendment to kill this Frankenstein Monster?

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**Keith A. Mussey says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 6:02 pm**



I can see 3 areas that we may be able to contest ObamaCare: 1) Repeal/Replace/Reform (but very long process through Congressional/Presidential wins. 2) Individual/private lawsuits. 3) State lawsuits. Many states have already filed or are about to pass state legislation to repeal at the state level. WHAT IS OHIO DOING? JOHN,WHAT DO YOU PROPOSE TO DO AS OUR NEXT GOVERNOR? Please let us know that our next Ohio administration will do something to fix ObamaCare.

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**M N Piekarski says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 6:03 pm**



John, you want elected——get on board. I am no longer a Republican. The things that my party did and continues to do is deplorable. We now have threats against our elected officials because of what the GOP and the Glen Becks have promoted. We are seeing the eliet of the Party back tracking. Too late folks. If you think you have a minor in Congress, wait until the next election. I like you and DeWine but at this time I would not vote for either of you.

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**helen bedd says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 6:16 pm**



john, juding from this essay, you simply aren't a serious person..tort reform hurts

consumers without lowering healthcare costs and selling across state lines is a "race to the bottom" perfect example: credit card companies...the rest of this essay is fauxnoise boilerplate....post nafta ohio really needs help with the crushing cost ofs of insurance

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**Tony Hocevar, OHIO says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 6:42 pm**



Common sense tells each one of us we can't get something for nothing. Why do many of us sense that our citizenry is being hoodwinked to believing in this ObamaCare. I understand and will fight against the simple fact that if it's good for us government will take it away and if its bad for us government will give us more and tax it. ObamaCare fits this continuing profile.

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**john hayes says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 6:47 pm**



The Democrats need to understand you can not spend yourself out of poverty.. That is what they are trying to do

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**Charles D. Smith says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 6:51 pm**



I plead guilty to governmental apathy! Like many in this country, I have been cruising along without the necessary involvement in the political actions taking place around me. That has come to a screeching halt! Pinch me and wake me up from the horrible mess we find ourselves in! We must rise up and take back our State and our Country from the liberal parasites who are now feeding off our hard-working efforts to make this a great place to live! You have my support in the coming election and beyond!

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**Barbara Ramirez says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 6:55 pm**



I think 151's name is fictitious.LOL

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**Dr. Kristine Severyn says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 8:47 pm**



Health insurance should be treated like car and house insurance, in which the insured pays for small things and insurance kicks in only after the deductible is met. Car insurance does not pay for routine oil changes and repairs. If it did, premiums would be out-of-reach for most everyone. Having patients pay for small routine medical procedures and drugs would bring down medical costs as well as give patients more control over their health care. Just ask the governor of Indiana.

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**Sharon says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 8:53 pm**



I am against the Health Care reform bill, and hope that it can be stopped. Regarding Ohio, I have an idea that will create jobs, reduce unemployment, and improve the moral of people. For all people on state financed aid (like unemployment), how about they report to a job center to receive an assignment for the day? For instance, cleaning up litter, painting homes of the elderly, cleaning graffiti, etc. Jobs would be created to staff the job centers, monitor the people working, and operating a day care center for those with young children. With this program, the people that would be on unemployment are the people that truly cannot find jobs...because the people that can find jobs will take what they can get, instead of waiting for the "perfect" job.

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**Di says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 9:32 pm**



I like you but you need to go deeper than this in speaking on this subject. This is a few shallow facts, sounds like a Boehner rehash. I would like some depth in acknowledging Ohio should have done something on their own about this long ago... not the Feds job. If you were Governor would you exercise your authority to disregard some of the Federal mandates forced on us? What can be done to control the growth of the unelected administrative state of government? How can we decentralize? I guess the one comment hit it on the head... give us more depth than just campaign talk. Our President is campaigning us to death, we want real, truthful information to help us be informed citizens.

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**Philip Briggs says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 9:38 pm**



Looking forward to voting the people who voted yes. They may not have listened to the American people on this bill but they will have to listen when the voters say get out of our office. I feel we need to go back to the old days and tar and feather them and send them down the road.

I agree with you but I think we could do more. My father had cancer. He was treated at a hospital but he had to go to another building on campus. He was charged \$800 to be moved to this building. The building was only 150 feet from the main building.

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**Carol T. says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 9:40 pm**



I am 110 % with you John. This health bill must be repealed!

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**Carol Wessel says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:15 pm**



Perhaps you people that want to bash health care reform should take a walk through children's hospitals. Maybe you don't realize how many hard working people have to file bankruptcy because their health care won't cover the cost to help their child. Or the nursing home where when their insurance and savings are exhausted all they can do is pray to die. Sadly enough they are the very ones who fought for our freedom. Their votes count and they were heard at last. If the republican party was going to get real ticked about something maybe they should look at George Bush, the one who caused our unemployment and homes to be lost. Obama walked into a big mess that was left to him. Quit blaming him when the republicans made the crisis in the first place. I don't know about you, but I had a little extra when Clinton was in office.

Kasich you need to do some home work and take a look at all the people.

and by the way, I agree with 155, 151's got to be fictitious. LOL

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**Lori Poff says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 10:21 pm**



I plan to send a VERY CLEAR message to every single representative of WE THE PEOPLE in the upcoming election...."You chose to IGNORE what I wanted and what the voters wanted so I say very loud and clear that I WILL IGNORE YOUR REQUEST FOR MY VOTE! I hired you and you can bet I'm gonna fire you!

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**John Wagner says:**

**March 25, 2010 at 11:30 pm**



If there are really 2500 pages in this bill, how can anyone comment on it with any degree of reliability? naturally there will be the development of a new bureaucracy to deal with it.

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**chris miller says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 2:21 am**



John, I ended up here via a Facebook ad. I find it interesting that neither the ad nor the front page of your website tell what your party affiliation is.

You're not ashamed to be championing the Party of No in Ohio, are you?

I've just never seen a politician that isn't associating himself with his party in ads or on the front page of his website. Just seems weird to me.

As far as HCR goes, the republicans have had years to put something together themselves and they out and out failed. They tried to stop it instead of improve it even though NOBODY in this country thinks things are fine the way they are. So I'll forgive the democrats for anything they didn't get absolutely correct because they actually stood up to get something done in DC.

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**Charles Becker says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 6:17 am**



John, you are correct. I'm shocked when people think this is going to be good for America.

First- Corporations don't pay taxes, they raise the cost and pass it on to the consumer. Second-I would ask anyone to please tell me a successful Government program in place. Medicare is a failure. Social Security, please. The IRS, sure. Wait how about the US Postal Service or Department of Education. Nope, huge money pits.

Really all we are getting is more Government entitlement programs. Oh and since I work in the health care/insurance industry I would tell everyone to look at what Massachusetts did. Rates have gone up 2 to 3 times what they were. In end that's probably what we're going to see for then next 5-7 years until they realize it didn't work. Then they'll tell us we can fix that and start the push for a single payor plan.

I support Mr. Kasich for Governor Ohio.

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**Kay Previte says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 6:41 am**



This health bill is appalling and to know that the staffers who helped to write this bill saw to it to remove themselves from the bill (& others). Who do they think they are—a bunch of pip squeak immature adults that are swayed by the policies of the people that they represent, of course, and for the fact that they are in Washington doing good for the radical agenda—MAKES US SICK!!

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**judith hearing says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 7:59 am**



John, Don't kid yourself—most poor people—and there are many—love this bill and the free health care they will soon get. Poor young people who work in fast foods and do "pick-up jobs" are deliriously happy that they will get insurance. Think of how the number of people going to the doctors will increase! Will the doctors want to mess with the paperwork? Some doctors don't want to mess with Medicare or Medicaide patients now. Think of how long we will have to wait to get a procedure done that we used to be able to schedule for the next week. This bill is socialism. If the government can mandate health care, it can mandate anything.

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**Doug Burrows says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 8:13 am**



John I support the repeal or change of this health bill. The taxes will exceed the obvious ones. If you will notice the USA lost it's tripple A bond rate the day after passage of the health bill. This is a clear indication that world markets are losing confidence in our financial position and this will cost us in the long run. A tax on every one and a congress that appears to have no clue when it comes to business.

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**Steve says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 9:28 am**



Mr. Kasich,

This HC law needs to be repealed. Congress then must start over on providing true reform that isn't going to cause a fiscal meltdown in the near future. There isn't going to be enough money to cover all the obligations of Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, interest on the federal debt and now this new healthcare law.

As for kids not having healthcare insurance, there is SCHIP. But even a better solution would be to encourage insurance providers to develop a special pool for them.

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**Tom Denham says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 9:56 am**



All,

Check out what Ronald Reagan said about HC at

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fRdLpem-AAs>

It could be applied today

Sigh

Tom

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**Barbara Ramirez says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 10:10 am**



Anyone in FAVOR of the healthcare bill needs to read TWO things. First, the healthcare legislation itself. It not only RATIONS healthcare. It puts about 17,000,000 new I.R.S. agents on your tail to make sure you are paying for the bill. It gives the federal government ACCESS to your BANK ACCOUNTS, AND your health records. It takes away your freedom of CHOICE in many areas. It mandates a federal I.D. card. (Will an implanted computer chip be NEXT?) I think it's probable. THEN you need to read The U.S. Constitution, and realize HOW this legislation BUTCHERS it. Do you REALLY WANT to allow the traitors in Washington to take away our RIGHTS? Are you so STUPIDLY TRUSTING that they won't ABUSE that POWER?? If they get away with this, all is lost ! If they can FORCE us to buy insurance because it's 'GOOD' for us. They will be forcing us to CHANGE our diets because THAT will make us 'healthier.' They could be forcing us to go to a GYM next. I have read that they want to eliminate MEAT from our diets. WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU PEOPLE?!? If you WANT to live in a communist country, THEN GO FIND ONE!! There are other ways to lower healthcare costs besides this.

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**Barbara Ramirez says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 10:14 am**



Ooops. The above should read 17,000, but I'd bet they'd like to increase it to 17,000,000. Wouldn't put it past them.

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**Susan Saunders says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 1:29 pm**



Mr. Kasich,

I take exception to your remarks that the Democrats didn't try to build consensus. If you mean that the Republicans didn't get their way, you are correct. Letting the minority party stall and divert and lie about things does not equal "Building Consensus".

I work in healthcare. We NEED health care reform. The Big 5 insurance companies are as much of a threat to the economy of the United States as all the banking firms were prior to 2008. If the republicans had done something about trying to regulate the banks before they brought the world economy to it's knees, how much better off would we all be?

I do not understand how anybody believes that allowing insurance companies to sell their plans across state lines with no regulation from the various state insurance commissions is good for the american people or good for healthcare. All it would do is make the insurance companies richer, and reduce the only small form of regulation and protection available to the consumer.

You all keep talking about choice. What you don't understand is that for most americans, choice in healthcare is confined ONLY to the company they work for. If you work for a small company (as my husband does), you get one choice. You get the insurance plan that your employer provides, whether it fits the needs of your family or not, whether it is affordable for you or not (in my husband's case, it costs us 1/3 of his weekly net take home pay, but do to a pre-existing condition, we can't buy private insurance at any cost.). If you need a different plan, your only option is to look for a different job, and hope that it's plan better meets your needs. We are not all members of congress, nor do we all work for the federal government, with it's myriad of choices. That's healthcare in the real world.

It is interesting to note that Microsoft, one of the largest and most successful companies in the world, provides insurance to their employees that specifically prohibits family therapy under their behavioral health contract, even though it has long been proven that children do better if their parents get coaching and reinforcement while the child is in treatment. With that kind of "corporate mentality", I'd much rather trust my health care to the federal government (my parents are very happy with their medicare plan, thank you very much!!), than to a bunch of moneygrubbing, MBA's with the humanity of the BMW they drove to work in this morning.

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**Peg says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 1:47 pm**



John- good for you for taking a firm stand! This bill will BANKRUPT our country for generations to come. Mr. O chose to ignore the actuarial science that shows this bill cannot work. I work in the insurance field – as do 1,000s of Ohioans. We will all eventually be out of our jobs beacuse companies cannot operate at a loss, and this bill will drive our industry to a loss.

I am disappointed with Ohio and Indiana representatives who voted for this bill – Ohio and Indiana both have a very large, thriving insurance industry that employs 1000s in those states.

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**Lisa says:**

**March 26, 2010 at 2:16 pm**



You have my support John! This HC is nothing more than a power grab, it has nothing to do with actual health care. Giving Viagra to ex sex offenders, not including TRICARE, providing abortions, taxing tanning beds, STEALING the student loans.....you have got to be kidding me! And those who ran on the band wagon of "we need to PUNISH the big pharma companies for their profits, we need to pass HC to stop them". Well, if you read Bloomberg or NASDAQ....you will have read what I did Monday....the day after this atrocity passed:

Excerpt from Nasdaq article:

MARKET ACTION: U.S. stocks gained broadly, led by a surge in health-care stocks.

The Dow's pharmaceutical components strengthened, as drug makers are expected to profit from the expansion of health-care coverage. Merck rose 2.3%, while Pfizer climbed 1.5%.

<http://www.nasdaq.com/aspx/stock-market-news-story.aspx?storyid=201003221132dowjonesdjournal000249&title=at-a-glancehealth-care-stocks-up-after-house-oks-overhaul>

Yup, way to "punish" them....give them BIGGER profits.

This bill is a mess 10 ways to Sundays, bar none. Anyone with an ounce of common sense knows "you don't get anything for free". In the end it will be middle class footing the bill for this communist, socialist, progressive mao worshipping agenda called "health care".

Lisa

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**Terri in Westerville says:****March 26, 2010 at 6:04 pm**

This bill was clearly a power grab, and has nothing to do with lowering health-care costs. Obviously, if 159 federal agencies are created to handle the huge bureaucracy that this monstrosity creates, that just pulls money away from direct medical care. So we go from having 83% of Americans covered to 95%... is that really worth losing our freedom over?

Here's a petition for Ohioans to sign to prevent the health car bill in Ohio (I just ran across this today). : <http://www.theohioproject.com/>

[Log in to Reply](#)**Terri in Westerville says:****March 26, 2010 at 6:07 pm**

correction... to prevent the health care bill (not health car bill 😊)

[Log in to Reply](#)**Joanne says:****March 26, 2010 at 7:09 pm**

Ok, let's get off the Liberty and unconstitutional band-standing and start using our heads. Health care needs overhauled in this country. Problem in Washington is everything is party this, party that. What happened to doing what is in the best interest of America. There is "no plan" that every citizen in this country will agree with. But the plan in place is better than no plan. If anyone has a better plan, then please post it and start working on getting it heard in Washington. If you have something concrete to offer, then let's hear it. Party politics is splitting this country. Sad day. As for the deficit...so many postings about spending more than the country can afford. Gee..seems to me that is a reflection on how many people in this country live today. How many people can say that have a "balanced budget" with their own finances? I would bet that it is a small percentage. I believe we "all" need to balance our budgets. Look at the number of foreclosures. Seems like a few people spent "more" than they could afford. And then they point the finger at the government. The government is not your keeper. That is not the intention of a government. If anything, we need to put in Washington representatives who listen and represent the people of this country, eliminate "career" politicians, put a spending cap on money spent for campaigns – gee, just think how much of the deficit we could erase with that money!!! In addition, federal employees need to be on the same retirement system as the rest of this country and eliminate excessive pension plans for government employees...really, 1 term in Congress and you are set for life. Where do you sign up? Instead of taking sides, lets figure out a way to fix this...Republican, Democrat, Independents, or whatever...let's fix it and stop all the finger pointing and complaining.

[Log in to Reply](#)**tom mccormack says:****March 27, 2010 at 2:52 pm**

I'm been a Republican all my life. I'm 66 years old. Never in my life have I been so ashamed of the Republican Party. I voted for Obama after the Bush years. What can I say. Palin are you kidding me. One step from the Presidency. The party is far to the religious right and I'm religious. If the rest of the wealthy world can have some king of health care why can't the U.S.? I'm tired of hearing Mitchel and Bonehead saying what the American people want. The lies or half truths the Republican's were preaching blew me away. I've looked at this bill as much as you have and probably more and I say give it a chance. Things can always be amended and I'm sure it will be.

[Log in to Reply](#)**ohiokaz says:****March 27, 2010 at 3:00 pm**

I just heard through this healthcare reform that if your company contributes toward your medical that you have to pay taxes on the amount the company contributes. This will appear on your W4/1099 and starts with your filing of 2010 taxes. (ex. If your company contributes \$7,000 for the year not including what you contributed per pay period that the \$7,000 will appear as additional income on your W4/1099 and you are responsible for paying tax on that extra money.) Looks like alot of people will be indebted to the IRS for years to come.

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**Moses says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 3:14 pm**



John,

Due to the recent activity of the Republican party no matter how badly I dislike the current governor and the fact that I was going to cross lines to vote for you has all changed. I can not vote for a group of people who are constantly arguing over issues and bad mouthing what others believe in their hearts to be right for them. This is America and we have the right to vote the way we feel that is right earned by us as an individual without having to worry our house is going to be burned or our families threatened because we don't see eye to eye on certain issues. We are all Americans regardless of our affiliations. You almost had me but not now. Best Wishes for a clean campaign and may the best man win, in God I pray.

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**Todd says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 3:22 pm**



The health care bill that recently passed is bad for America. What they passed turns health care on its head for the majority of Americans that are already insured, for the 31 million that were not (some of the 31 million could have afforded it too). The bill is going to increase cost, decrease coverage for many of those already insured...including seniors and raise taxes.

What was passed is a disgrace. I do not want a socialized America. Most American's didn't want this bill and I will personally be talking to as many as I can about turning over the current members in congress that voted for this bill.

What they did is shameful! It is Un-American! America was founded on freedom, capitalism, God and the Bill of Rights. Not a big government and a budget full of entitlement programs. What's next?

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**Janet Caudill says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 3:25 pm**



I do agree with your philosophy. I feel confused about who will be helped by this bill and who will not. I would like to see every American receive good preventive and curative health care. I don't understand why they didn't just plan to help those who were in need and pay for them and let the rest of the people who do have insurance continue. I fear the increases in premiums that we will see and the reductions in payments to physicians and hospitals because soon physicians will be giving up their practices in large numbers making the delivery of care substandard. I Don't understand why the issue of tort reform was not pursued by previous legislators. I feel that we the people are being sold out by career politicians who will go along with anything to retain their seat and I feel very strongly that they should be required to be subject to the same coverage and fees that all of the people will now be subject to.

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**Donna says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 3:27 pm**



Mr. Kasick, Doesn't any of the people on your blog read history? This healthcare bill that the democrats wanted so badly( SO MUCH SO THAT POLOSI CALLED US NAZI'S-ANYONE THAT OPPOSES IT) WAS enough for me to change party's! I am a reg. dem. but not for long! Any way , back to history- people need to read up on Hitler and how he got in power!! Repeal the healthcare bill!! GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!

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**Michael says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 3:28 pm**



Repeal, Replace, and Reform Obama Care NOW!

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**Capt'n says:**





**March 27, 2010 at 3:56 pm**

Why has Ohio NOT joined the 14 states filing suit against obama?



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**Captn says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 3:57 pm**

Sad that King obama has decided to take over healthcare. Next comes amnesty for the illegals as he NEEDS their votes?



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**Captn says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 3:58 pm**

VA has exempted the state from this bill. SC is in the process of doing the same. Why is Ohio not coming online too?



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**Captn says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 4:00 pm**

This democrat running for senate is as arrogant as obama;

A company owned by the family of a candidate for the North Carolina Senate who has made fighting government corruption a cornerstone of his campaign has been ordered to repay the state Medicaid office \$4.2 million.

The News & Observer of Raleigh reports that Frankie Bordeaux and his wife signed a settlement with the state in February to repay money given to Cambridge Behavioral Health Services in Greenville.

The investigation into the company found hundreds of cases of incomplete patient records, several possible fraud cases and unqualified staff delivering care.

Frankie Bordeaux is a Democrat challenging incumbent Sen. Clark Jenkins in a primary in the district covering Edgecombe, Martin and Pitt counties.

Bordeaux says the allegations have nothing to do with his campaign.



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**Patti Hunyadi says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 4:24 pm**

Just another form of welfare as far as I am concerned. I am sick and tired of paying for everyone's else's ride. I promise I will not vote for any one that voted for this health bill!!!!!! We needed health care reform, in terms of pre-existing conditions, tort reform and being able to buy across state lines, but this is SOCIALISM!!!!!!



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**Theresa Molina says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 4:27 pm**

Obama's plan(s) will build a debt so high in this country that it will create social leveling – which has always been his goal. There won't be a choice except to have government handouts. Our dollar will be worth much of nothing. Housing will be worth much of nothing. Please...what can we do to stop the spending that will in the end create Obama's Socialist Republic.



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**vicki kern says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 5:18 pm**

All I can say to Ted Strickland, is that he might as well bend over backwards and kiss his behind good bye as far as the Governorsip is concern. It is still WE THE PEOPLE , NOT Obama or his democratic cronies. I , myself is campaning hard against everthing Obama and the Democrats stand for. People need to stop and think of what our men have died for for the past 200 years . It was not for a government which controled the people,but for the people who control the government. People please wake up and smell what they are shoveling!



If Obama and the Democrats want a fight , they sure got one,. We the People are gonna fight back, Obama said to bring it on , well be careful of what you ask for because you just might get it,

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**Cathy says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 5:20 pm**



I agree as well, our state needs jobs, and this program will not help our state nor our residents. It stumps me, how Congress wants to pass Obama programs cart blanc without reading anything, and yet, we are suppose to read anything we sign our name to. And to think, they just can't get enough of their money grubbing hands on money our treasury does not have, those Washington printing presses can't keep up with them! Shame on Congress, may you all get voted out! We need someone in Washington who has morals and who care for the American people!

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**steve romeo says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 5:32 pm**



Amazing all of you on here, { which isnt many}, who support this Bill are in Great Company. It was recently endorsed by Fidel Castro. That should sum things up.

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**steve romeo says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 5:33 pm**



Usually Obama says the time for debate is over, soon it will be " All the bribes are in".

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**Raymond A. Meister, P.E. says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 5:36 pm**



John Kasich,

Basically agree with you and most of the noted comments made herein.

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**Kathy says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 5:57 pm**



Shame on the Democrats and the people who think Obama is the greatest thing since sliced bread and a pop-up toaster! Do they ever stop to think that there are people out there who don't want healthcare because of religious reasons?? After watching my friend die, and my dad's life changing, for the worse, because of doctors, I am almost wanting to be a Christian Scientist!

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**Mireille McKell says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 6:00 pm**



Mr. Kasich, I agree with All your comments about the healthcare bill. Someone asked if you believe amnesty to illegal aliens will be rammed through next. I believe it will be, and I am not as worried about the cost of that, as I am the thought that it will make all those illegals, legal Democratic voters! Yikes!

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**L Drellishak says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 6:04 pm**



I pray the elected officials in favor of Obama's health care bill and bigger more nanny state government our voted out of office.

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**Kirby Cannon says:**

March 27, 2010 at 7:08 pm



It has always been my observation that some people, if given opportunity, will sink to the lowest level of effort and wait for others to pick up the slack, then stand and yell about inequality at the first sign of more free stuff....I have listened carefully to the language of the Democrats talking about insuring all Americans.....Not CITIZENS, americans, North Americans?, Central Americans?, South Americans?. This reform bill is JUST PLAIN WRONG

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**Dimitra Campbell says:**

March 27, 2010 at 7:27 pm



I have just learned that the health bill includes long term care. Now that is a positive! To think we won't have to spend down to broke.

D. Campbell

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**Rodger Sillars says:**

March 27, 2010 at 7:40 pm



The Governor has my support on the health care issue! This measure despite lacking certain features is the best legislation of this millennium so far!

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**Barbara Ramirez says:**

March 27, 2010 at 7:57 pm



Write and call the Ohio Attorney General's office and HOUND HIM like I have been doing.HE is the one holding up the process of getting Ohio out of Obamacare.He currently has two or three amendments which could be put on the ballot this Nov.,which would get Ohio out of the healthcare scheme, but he is REFUSING to pass them.He also could be JOINING those other states in the lawsuit, but I am starting to believe that he has been BOUGHT OUT AS WELL...Think it's time for a new Attorney General, folks.

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**Rick Solenberger says:**

March 27, 2010 at 9:32 pm



I was sad to hear from the moderate veteran who likes this idea of health care after serving in the military to support and defend the Constitution. Being a 20 year veteran of the U.S. Navy I have to wonder if you ever were medically treated in the military? That alone would give you some idea of what socialized medicine will become.

Things I get tired of hearing

1. The rest of the world does it. Screw em I live in America. Those other countries also started 2 world wars, and gave us Napoleon, Marx, Stalin, Hitler, Castro and Mao.
2. You have to buy car insurance. Not if I don't own or drive a car on public roads. Also, by State law, if I have the financial means to meet the minimum deductible required by law I do not have to purchase insurance.
3. You have to buy Home insurance. No I don't. If you have a mortgage the provider may require that you have insurance but then again THEY ARE NOT THE GOVERNMENT now are they. That would give me a choice – freedom – I could buy the house and pay the insurance or rent and not pay insurance.

Finally all Americans want this bill passed. Polls showed 73% of Americans opposed this bill as written. It was obvious to the most casual observer that this is all about Government power and control to take over health care resulting in a universal health care system. I was stationed in foreign Countries and saw socialized medicine and believe me you don't want it. There's no place like HOME. God bless the

USA.

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**Rick Yeager says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 9:33 pm**



Society, not government, has a responsibility to care for those who cannot care for themselves. Those who will not care for themselves do not deserve society's nor government's handouts. This bill is a travesty and must not stand.

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**Joe says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 10:49 pm**



Ohio should adopt a state insurance plan, our own public option, to compete with the private insurance companies. The new Health Care Law falls short on protection against insurance company abuse in the short term. An optional state run plan could start with state employees, and grow from there. In our county, the commissioners went to a self insured plan that has saved us from rate hikes.

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**Chuck N. says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 10:51 pm**



Regarding obama care in Ohio:

My experience has convinced me that no matter how good of insurance you have it is only as good as your insurance representative. Recently having my job (44 years of service) move from Ohio to Mexico, under NAFTA, and of retirement age I visited my Social Security office to sign up for Medicare. My wife and I waited a couple of hours for my number to be called. During the waiting time we noticed that elderly people who appeared to have their act together were very disgruntled as they left the Social Security office. When my number was called we both went to the counter to be told that only one of us could be there since we both did not have a number. We are a team having been married 46 years giving us the right to be there at the same time. The information we received regarding our timely placed applications and prearranged B plan assured us we would be covered timely. My experience was to get conflicting and incorrect information, arrogantly provided to me in the same office from a different Social Security representative. Later when we didn't receive the, promised, timely confirmation it resulted in no Medicare coverage to date.

I was informed by my employer that I was entitled to unemployment pay. Went through the same hassle with that. Have worked all my life with payroll deductions since my mid-teen years never collecting anything and still not. Now it is my turn to collect but I am living off earnings from my savings instead of the hassle from the Ohio unemployment process. I think it is reasonable to assume that we will have to go through a similar process with the IRS for health care needs only to sit for hours waiting to be given conflicting information from unqualified government employees.

I must be doing something wrong. Maybe I should have gone against my upbringing and sat on my duff waiting for obama care. Not gonna do that. My Dad died in WWII to provide me with the freedom to diligently work, be a responsible citizen and take responsibility for my family.

If elected, I hope you will do something about upgrading the qualification requirements of those who are hired by Ohio to accurately serve the citizens of Ohio.

My recent experiences with government representatives in Ohio fortifies my previous conclusions drawn of the private sector; Government programs, no matter how good they are, are only as good as that programs representative.

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**J. Hojnacki says:**

**March 27, 2010 at 11:22 pm**



My district congressman is Kucinich and one of my senators is Sherrod Brown.

They both allowed their vote to be bought by the House and Senate leadership.

Kucinich and Brown are fired. Time to get some real representation because we can do better than that.

I would vote for a monkey before I would ever vote either of them.

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**Tracy says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 12:00 am**



I have to wonder how many families with dual-income careers will have one of the wage earners exit the workforce. The tax rates on the "second" income don't provide incentive to stay working — why not just let the government fill the gap of that second income?

After expenditures for child care, working expenses and TAXES, and now more expected government demands on middle class income, is it really worth it?

The Obama administration should consider this ripple effect on husband/wife working units.

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**Suzie Q says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 1:13 am**



I am not surprised this bill passed at all. Chaplain Lindsey Williams who has known one of the elite members of the Bilderbergers since the 1970's (not as a friend, but as a Chaplain) stated in a February, 2010 public message on several Internet shows that this gentleman said, among other things, the healthcare bill was not about health care, it is about government takeover. He said, "Read the fine print — there's gun control, euthanasia," and a host of other horrors. Chaplain Williams goes on to say these elite are running the world and that is why our country is in this fix. This is a long-term plan they have had too many years to develop. He says they are laughing at Americans because we gave them 2.5T dollars and the people didn't do anything about it. That they control the main-line media and Hollywood and much of Congress, the schools, scientists, and on and on. They said the only way they could control America was to kill off God through all these channels. Once Americans were reduced to the status of just another animal, then they convinced us it was ok to act like one.

There's nothing any decent congressman can do on his own. It would take superhuman power to clean out this nest of vipers. It would take a God. So your job is impossible. I applaud you for trying, though. Maybe you and others of like mind, can slow down the inevitable for a while longer.

I wish you the best.

I, personally, am getting my spiritual house in order. I'm voting for the second coming of Christ.

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**William Young says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 2:25 am**



Thank you for your stand. We need people who recognize that the Government is not responsible for things we can and should do for ourselves.

Bill Young

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**Ed Hughes says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 5:01 am**



Its about time we get someone who seems to understand the American way. You just don't push a bill through that you like and you'll make your district voters like it. That's what Charlie (BROWN) Wilson did. So so-long Charlie The people of this GREAT country better wise-up and soon!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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**Kate Burch says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 5:04 am**



The problem with escalating health care prices has its roots in government intervention, beginning right after World War II. More government intervention just makes the problem worse. If health care "insurance" reverted to being true insurance, and not a third-party-payer system, and people were in charge of making choices about what health care goods and services they purchased,

the prices would become affordable very quickly. Free markets work!

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**Doris says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 9:15 am**



The whole deal with Health care is the cost. There is huge money in Health care. Ask yourself who is doing construction these days. There is a Hospital on every corner, and there is no end to the money they spend on them! Adding on and on and buying more land to make them huge. Follow the money trail. 10 years ago there were not advertisements telling us how to medicate ourselves, and what we should ask doctors to give us 24/7.

I think if you need a test, it should be affordable without health insurance. If you need a test, it shouldn't cost 2 weeks pay. The COSTS are OUTRAGEOUS! If we could afford to take care of ourselves.....yes personal responsibility...we would not be in this mess in the first place. Once government got involved and began to hand out free money for health related items, the line to find a way to get some started forming....and on and on it went so that we now have a MONSTER we can't controll. I went for a smple strep test. Literally 5 minutes at Lake Hospitals. The bill was \$225.00 That's insane! I think 40.00 would be a reasonable fee. But how many other peoples care am I paying for? In Europe, a complete physical including 100 different blood readings, complete stress test, and ultrasound costs \$210.00. Our friend flies to Poland to have this done every year. This is a state of the art facility, with newer equipment than US doctors use. WHY? Lets let the genie out of the bottle and just see how we are being ripped off for services, while hospitals rake in the dollars because they are such "do-gooders" we can't possibly suspect them of ripping us all off.

I have insurance, but a \$5000 deductible makes it relatively useless. I think all insurance should be abolished, and we should all just pay for the services we need at a free market price. What else do we buy where we never know what the cost is when we place our order? Could you imagine getting your car fixed that way, or ordering a meal that way? Crazy isn't it? How much is an MRI.....? \* phone calls and NOBODY could tell me ahead of time. It cost \$45.00 in Europe. We are such fools.

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**Margie says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 11:37 am**



Thank you Paula G for being a voice of reason among so many who have forgotten what bi-partisanship is, and who do not know the law of the land as well as they should! Health Care reform is a GOOD thing, but the Republicans, and some Democrats, do not LEAD, they FOLLOW the wishes of special interest groups and those who lobby. These politicians are afraid of LEADING without the permission of their campaign financiers. Our government is being weakened by those who support those businesses who manufacture outside our borders, who hire illegals, and who support deregulation! These are broad terms, but I hope you follow my meaning and understand what businesses have broken our country and have stopped remembering we are "all" Americans! As Americans we should do right by ALL Americans. Surely our financial system and our health care system have proven they CANNOT self-regulate. We need our government to control the powerful whom would rape our citizens. The powerful have huge personal wealth and they will retire to warm climates while the rest of us freeze on the streets of our once world-class cities.

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**Barbara Ramirez says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 12:31 pm**



Hi Suzie Q, I'm looking forward to that day,too.I've been (verbally) fighting for our rights for so long, but the corruption is so widespread and deep.

When they passed this bill, I was so angry at the stupidity of them, and the sad condition of this country.Where has wisdom gone? I used to feel sorry for those who will be left here to go through the tribulation period, but, you know, I'm really starting to think that a lot of them will have it coming.

My main consolation is that heaven will be so sweet,and I won't have to deal with ignorance anymore.

Thank You Jesus!

Those who haven't accepted Christ should be thinking about it very hard.Your time is running out.

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**Tom Lillis IV says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 4:37 pm**



Mr. Kasich,

I agree with everything you say. And yet, and yet....

One of the reasons you are a breath of fresh air across the political spectrum is your positive approach. Without minimizing the problems Ohio faces your approach has come across as "this will be tough but we can do it". This is doubly good politically – it sets you up as being positive and lays the groundwork for implementing your agenda once in office.

I think you missed an opportunity here on healthcare. Repeating the national Republican's boilerplate puts you (unfairly) in the same category as "The Party of No". I think you should have positive solutions for healthcare. No need to be too specific but something like "when the Obama plan is ruled unconstitutional I will work with all Ohioans for a healthcare system which covers those who need insurance with market-based solutions". This would be more in keeping with your positive personae and lay the groundwork for state-level experimentation on your terms should the opportunity present itself.

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**John Corbett says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 8:08 pm**



What frightens me is the authority given to the Sec.of Health and Human Services where she decides hundreds of times how, when and to whom health care will be administered and by whom and at what specific cost. Until this information is available, we now know only the tip of the ice berg. This job becomes all powerful and controls our well being and those of our children

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**Mark Hopper says:**

**March 28, 2010 at 8:15 pm**



Give em Hell John! You have this house holds vote.

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**Tom says:**

**March 29, 2010 at 8:46 am**



John, Strickland has obviously not done this State any good. You have my vote!

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**Wil says:**

**March 29, 2010 at 9:31 am**



Keep up the good work John, we will turn this thing around!

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**Sam says:**

**March 29, 2010 at 12:24 pm**



I think you are right in eliminating frivolous lawsuits. I work in the legal profession and there are ridiculous lawsuits all the time. We also need to cap awards on lawsuits.

I want healthcare for everyone to but not shoved down my throat. Living in a free country means I should have a choice if I want it or not.

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**Steve Slapnick says:**

**March 29, 2010 at 3:52 pm**



I am totally against this health care bill and cannot believe this is even happening in this country. I think Ohio needs to be one of the states that tells the Federal Government that we are taking back our state rights and will not be sucked into this socialist agenda they are trying to push. Even if it means that Ohio will become completely self sufficient, and become a real, American State, following the Constitution this country was founded on. We need to stop ALL hand outs to illegal aliens and get them out of the state unless they want to do it the legal way. I have never heard of anything

that ever prospered when the focus is on taking care of the poor and needy. The best welfare system is a job. I can't believe the things Washington is trying to pull, and the stupidity I see every day from these supposedly educated people. This country's problems are not hard to fix, it's just that there are too many greedy people in charge that are only in politics for their own personal gain and somehow feel that they are better than the rest of us and deserve it. How arrogant! We need to use our own oil, get rid of every illegal immigrant, bring back manufacturing, pay no attention to special interest groups, and forget about this useless war in Afghanistan. This isn't all that is wrong with this country, but it would be a good start and if we would do these things, America's economy would turn around overnight. Politicians have forgotten that their job is to serve the CITIZENS of this country, not the greedy wealthy elite, they can take care of themselves just fine. Well, there's my 2 cents. This problem is so big now and people let it go so long that it will probably not be reversed, but I guess that was the plan all along. Why else would they be so brazen about these clearly evil and damaging ideas.

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**Y Richter says:**

**March 30, 2010 at 6:21 am**



I heard you speak, John, at a Coast event last year and liked what I heard at that time. However, our politicians (elected and soon-to-be elected) should understand what most of the constituents want – STATE/INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS. Health care and education were never meant to be pushed up to the federal level. The founders intended for these things to be managed by the individuals in the states. Thanks.

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**Mike A. says:**

**March 30, 2010 at 9:42 am**



Sir, It's amazing how people will do anything to get elected. I am one of those who suffers from pre-existing conditions. I am one of those who lives in a state where employers and medical ins. companies are more important than the employee or patient. Why? Because of people like you! This Bill passage is somewhere to start and that is all. We have to start somewhere or not at all. I was an avid republican, UNTIL NOW. You no longer have my vote. good day.

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**Mark Silbersack says:**

**March 30, 2010 at 10:11 am**



John, I think your summary of the flaws of Obamacare is OK as far as it goes, but it misses several key points that are critical to many voters: (1) it will drive up health insurance premiums; (2) it will increase taxes; and (3) it will cause some folks to lose their current health insurance with which they are satisfied.

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**A Hodlic says:**

**March 30, 2010 at 10:22 am**



I agree ... we cannot throw money at the government ... let's keep throwing it to the health insurance companies. Why ruin a good thing?

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**Greg R. says:**

**March 30, 2010 at 1:03 pm**



A crime is lying to the country about a need for a war and take over of a country. Weapons of Mass Destruction..ha...The Mass destruction has been to lives of American Soldiers and their families in addition to the Iraqi families. Perhaps this is not what people want because health care reform is so drastic. If each state defined it, we would be better off. We are required to have Auto Insurance, why not health care?... We need tort reform... Preexisting clauses shouldn't be paid for by everybody... Just FIX IT don't FORCE IT.

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**Derek W. says:****March 30, 2010 at 4:23 pm**

I'm with you on this John, as well as most other issues. We need common sense and we need it NOW! For those who disagree with John's comments or are in favor of the health care bill, i agree we needed reform but this was in no way the way to do it. I've read the bill, and while difficult to get through, it's scary to see the direction this will take us. Businesses are already stating they are projected to lose millions. The "you can keep your plan if you want" is a joke. How can you keep it when your employer has to cut those benefits or decides it's cheaper to switch people to the Government plan? And federal mandates stating that individuals MUST purchase health care is WRONG! The government CANNOT force you to purchase product. It is unconstitutional. I urge everyone to go to <http://theohioproject.com/> and register for petition since our A.G. doesn't have the kahones to file lawsuit like many other states. And John, i think you should strongly consider making a run for the big office in 2012. We need someone strong with some new blood on the GOP ticket. If we keep putting the same people up again we're gonna get creamed.

[Log in to Reply](#)**Jack McCoy says:****March 31, 2010 at 10:25 am**

I can't believe what our president is doing to ruin our country and its future. If there was a formula for its downfall, Obama is certainly following it. I just pray that common sense will prevail and we will be able to reverse it and start over with our plan! The upcoming Governor of the Great State of Ohio, John Kasich, will certainly be a piece of the puzzle. Really like your choice for running mate! Heard her speak here in Findlay and can't think of anyone who could complement you better. Go, John!

[Log in to Reply](#)**Barbara Ramirez says:****March 31, 2010 at 1:11 pm**

Derek,  
You are right.  
ANY OHIO RESIDENT WANTING OHIO OUT OF THE OBAMACARE PROGRAM SHOULD GO TO:theohioproject.com .AND SIGN THE PETITION.TELL YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.

[Log in to Reply](#)**Barbara Ramirez says:****April 3, 2010 at 10:43 pm**

Hi Mr. Kasich,  
Were you aware that Obama's trying to sneak through a NATIONAL I.D. card, which could require finger printing, eye scan, etc.,and that if people do not accept this card, that they might not be able to keep a job?  
Ron Paul has a petition to stop this.Do a search on RON PAUL NATIONAL I.D card, and PLEASE SIGN THE PETITION.

[Log in to Reply](#)**Shelley simms says:****April 4, 2010 at 11:51 am**

This bill needs repealed and our AG and Governor should be joining this fight. It is unconstitutional. It will be a drain on the state budget at a time when we do not have the money. If our elected representatives will not fight this we must. I have pre-signed the petition to add an Ohio Amendment to the ballot in November. The petition has been approved by Secretary of State. As soon as it is available we will need a lot of signatures on the actual petition to get this on the ballot.

[Log in to Reply](#)**C. Patrick says:****April 6, 2010 at 1:16 pm**

I am concerned when I hear that the likes of Bono from U2 has donated to this campaign.

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**Rex says:****April 6, 2010 at 5:38 pm**

I congratulate Mr Kasich on his stand. I hope he holds the line better than some that went with the health bill that obama crammed down our throats. Some were just plain "sell outs" that wanted obamas support when trying to get re-elected. I say we ALL fight to make sure these people don't get re-elected!

[Log in to Reply](#)**Eric says:****April 10, 2010 at 8:27 pm**

If Strickland was/is against Obama-care, then why hasn't Ohio filed a law suit. As a smoker, I recall when they had the tobacco law suit against a legal substance, Ohio and others joined the bandwagon which I'm paying for, for using a legal substance.....Strickland is just glad he did not have to, but still be a party loyalist

[Log in to Reply](#)**Alan Brunton says:****April 28, 2010 at 11:23 pm**

John, the health care bill along with all of the other initiatives by the current administration and congress is nothing more than gaining power and control. Big government is not the answer – it is the problem. How much did health care increase when the government got involved? If you are elected, I hope you will govern with limited government and give "we the people" the most power and limited local and state government. And an even more limited role in the federal government. I believe Ohio should be taking back control that has been too long taken from us by an out of touch federal government.

[Log in to Reply](#)**robert ritter says:****May 15, 2010 at 6:27 pm**

Kill this Communist Health Bill

[Log in to Reply](#)**Paula Gluntz says:****June 22, 2010 at 1:55 pm**

Regarding "What happened to Paula Gluntz? She was hilarious! As a conservative, I welcome her views and ask her to post as much as possible to as many sites as she can. It never hurts to hear divergent positions and opinions, especially when they reinforce the views that we already hold.

Come back Paula! Come back!

Comment by C. Patrick — March 25, 2010 @ 1:18 pm"

C.- I beg for you to say more than your little snit. I am a moderate Democrat with due respect for free-market capitalism, but not when it leads to oligopolistic practices. Perhaps the DOJ should simply have filed an antitrust suit against the insurance giants or financial giants who rape us while you conservatives scream "Thank you sir, may I have some more?" As far as I can see, those who jump on the tea party bandwagon either have significant personal investments in insurance companies and financial institutions, or they are simply the unfortunate dupes of politicians who count on them never, ever, ever looking into things for them selves.

[Log in to Reply](#)**Kate says:****August 2, 2010 at 4:33 pm**

— From smartgirlpolitics-ning-com – addresses nullification(which takes effective upon approval by the Governor), 10th amendment; healthcare freedom act.; – many ways to fight government power and control schemes are listed. Also addresses sustainable development, fascism,

collectivists, dismantling of the Constitution.

"... Nullification begins with a decision made in your state legislature to resist a federal law deemed to be unconstitutional. It usually involves a bill, which is passed by both houses and is signed by your governor. ... No Need for Federal Approval Nullification is not the petitioning of the federal government to start doing or to stop doing anything. Nullification doesn't depend on any Federal law being repealed. Nullification does not require permission from any person or institution outside of one's own State. Nullification begins with you.

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