

Congressional Progressive Caucus: Condemns Daines' sham amendment on single-payer

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Washington, D.C. – Congressional Progressive Caucus Co-Chairs Rep. Raúl Grijalva (D-AZ) and Rep. Mark Pocan (D-WI) released the following statement regarding the Daines Amendment.

“As a caucus that has championed the cause of Medicare For All for the past 25 years, the Congressional Progressive Caucus condemns Senator Daines’ sham single-payer amendment. The debate on health care occurring in the U.S. Senate is not a game and Senator Daines’ attempt to score political points at a moment when millions of Americans are at risk of losing access to life-saving health care, affordable medicine, and financial security is truly shameful.

“The Congressional Progressive Caucus encourages Senators who support Medicare For All to vote ‘Yes’ on an alternative amendment from our CPC colleague, Senator Sanders, which affirms that the United States should join the rest of the world and guarantee health care as a right, not a privilege.”

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The Congressional Progressive Caucus (CPC) is the largest caucus within the House Democratic Caucus, with over 70 members standing up for progressive ideals in Washington and throughout the country. Since 1991, the CPC has advocated for progressive policies that prioritize working Americans over corporate interests, fight

economic and social inequality, and promote civil liberties. The CPC champions progressive policy solutions like comprehensive immigration reform, a \$15 national minimum wage, fair trade, gun violence reform, debt-free college, and making the federal government a Model Employer.