

One Wisconsin Now: Rep. Glenn Grothman amendment ends health care for young people

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MADISON, Wis. — U.S. Rep. Glenn Grothman, who has enjoyed full taxpayer-paid health care since he was first elected to office in 1993, is seeking to kick young people off of their parents' health care plans after they turn 23, according to an amendment authored by Grothman in the House Budget Committee.

“We’ve been paying Glenn Grothman’s health care bills for 24 years and he wants to kick 24-year-olds from their health care,” said Scot Ross, One Wisconsin Now Executive Director. “Paul Ryan’s health care scheme would already kill health care for 24 million Americans, but that’s not good enough for Glenn Grothman.”

Grothman’s amendment would end the provision championed by Wisconsin Democratic U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin that allowed young people to stay on their parents’ health insurance plans until they are 26. The Grothman amendment would move the age all the way down to 23.

Ryan’s scheme passed the Republican-controlled Budget Committee last week by a razor-thin 19-17 vote with Grothman providing the decisive vote in favor of moving the plan out of committee.

“Glenn Grothman has been an ineffective backbencher in Wisconsin politics for

decades,” said Ross. “But with Paul Ryan desperately scrambling for votes after the disastrous RyanCare rollout, unconscionable attacks on people’s health care, like the one offered by Rep. Grothman, are bargaining chips to get Republican support.”

[Grothman’s amendment is available here.](#)