

Rep. Pocan: Rep. Pocan issues statement on Senate's Trumpcare Plan

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Washington, D.C. –U.S. Rep. Mark Pocan (WI-02), a member of the Appropriations Committee's Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Subcommittee, released the following statement after Senate Republican Leadership finally unveiled its version of Trumpcare.

"The Senate Republican plan is almost a mirror image of the House-passed Trumpcare bill which President Trump referred to as 'mean' and 'cold-hearted.' Majority Leader Mitch McConnell should also know this bill is mean to people. It will take away critical ACA protections and essential health benefits like cancer screenings and maternity coverage, so he's trying to push it through the Senate without any public hearings or debate. It doesn't matter if it's the Senate or House version of Trumpcare, it's still going to take away health care for millions. Look, if you're in a river and you see a pair of jaws coming at you, it doesn't matter if it's a crocodile or an alligator – it's still going to get you.

"Plain and simple, this bill is a broken promise to the American people. If Republicans were truly proud of the bill they are offering the American people, they would not have hidden the bill for months only to try and jam the bill through the Senate at the last minute in hopes that constituents won't notice.

"Even Senator Ron Johnson is having reservations about the process and timing of this so-called health care bill, which should convince anyone on the fence that this is not a good bill. Senate Republicans are right to be ashamed of their bill which

strips coverage from millions of Americans while providing massive tax breaks to millionaires and billionaires.”

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