

# Sen. Shilling: Weekly Democratic radio address: Protect Access to Health Care

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MADISON, WI - Senator Jennifer Shilling (D-La Crosse) offered the weekly Democratic radio address today.

The audio file of this week's address can be found here:

<http://media2.legis.wisconsin.gov/multimedia/Sen32/shillingradio032317.mp3>

A written transcript of the address is below:

*"Hi, I'm Senator Jennifer Shilling with this week's Democratic Radio Address.*

*"Making health care more affordable and protecting access for Wisconsin families has been a top priority for Democrats.*

*"While the Affordable Care Act wasn't perfect, it helped to expand coverage and hold down costs, especially for seniors and individuals with pre-existing conditions.*

*"Unfortunately, Republicans in Washington D.C. have made it their mission to roll back the progress we've made and hand power back to the big insurance companies.*

*"Plans being touted by Speaker Paul Ryan and President Trump would take health care coverage away from thousands of Wisconsin families.*

*"Under their proposal, seniors and working families will pay more while millionaires and health insurance executives would get massive tax breaks.*

*“Residents in rural communities would have fewer choices and less freedom.*

*“24 million Americans will lose coverage.*

*“Millions more will see higher out-of-pocket costs, and Wisconsin residents would be among those hit hardest by these Republican changes.*

*“Instead of going back to the days of massive price hikes and worse coverage, we should protect the progress we’ve made and ensure families have the opportunity to access affordable health care coverage.*

*“As the debate over health care continues, be sure to make your voice heard and help us protect quality health care for those who need it most.”*