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MADISON — The following is the statement of Democratic Party of Wisconsin Chair Martha Laning with regards to the Congressional Budget Office's (CBO) score of the Senate Trumpcare bill released today:

"The CBO score released today confirms that Trumpcare will only spell disaster for the American people. It will drive up costs for middle-class families, strip health care insurance from 15 million people next year – and 22 million people by 2026, leave people with pre-existing conditions unprotected, and puts essential health benefits like maternity care, opioid treatment, and mental health services in jeopardy. The only people who stand to gain from Trumpcare are the millionaires, billionaires, and corporations who will receive billions of dollars in tax giveaways.

"Republicans like Governor Scott Walker and Senator Ron Johnson don't think this bill goes far enough. They want even deeper cuts to Medicaid which would result in even more Wisconsinites cut off from care and would cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars down the road.

"Democrats fought tooth-and-nail to pass the Affordable Care Act because health care is a right for all Americans, not a privilege for just the wealthy. The ACA insured millions of Americans, we should be looking to build on the ACA and expand health coverage for even more people in our country. We've made progress and we can't stop now. Wisconsin Democrats will continue fighting to protect health care for working people and the most vulnerable Wisconsinites in our state."

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