

U.S. Rep. Kind: Votes to lower prescription drug costs and expand access to health care for Wisconsin families

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WASHINGTON – Today, **U.S. Rep. Ron Kind** voted in support of the *Strengthening Health Care and Lowering Prescription Drug Costs Act*, a package of bills aimed at lowering drug costs by promoting generic drug competition, rescinding the Trump Administration’s junk insurance plan rule, and strengthening access to quality, affordable health care across the country.

“Prescription drug prices are too high for thousands of Wisconsin seniors and families. Today, the House took action by passing an important package of bills aimed at lowering drug costs, strengthening protections for people living with pre-existing conditions, and expanding access to care,” said **Rep. Ron Kind**.

Several provisions within the *Strengthening Health Care and Lowering Prescription Drug Costs Act* package contain priorities of Rep. Ron Kind’s, including expanding Navigator funding for health insurance education and enrollment, cracking down on junk plans, which aren’t required to cover pre-existing conditions, and lowering the cost of prescription drugs.

The bipartisan legislative package includes three key drug pricing measures to remove barriers to lower-priced generic drugs getting to market and competing with

brand-name drugs. It also includes four measures to improve our health care system by revoking the Junk Plan rule, thereby reinforcing protections for pre-existing conditions; expanding the number of individuals with quality, affordable coverage; and helping more states create state-based marketplaces.