

ALLIANCE TO FIGHT THE 40

Stop the 40% tax on health benefits

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ALLIANCE TO FIGHT THE 40 STATEMENT ON THE LOOMING TAX INCREASE ON WORKERS HIGHLIGHTED IN REPUBLICAN RETREAT

Washington— Today the Alliance to Fight the 40, a broad-based coalition committed to repealing the 40 percent tax on employer-sponsored health benefits – the so-called “Cadillac Tax” – issued the following statement expressing concerns about a potential new income tax hike on workers:

The leaked audio of the Republican retreat revealed Congress is considering raising taxes on working Americans to pay for repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act. The audio recording made clear the disturbing fact that Congress is considering taxing health benefits provided by employers, meaning higher income taxes for millions. The employer-sponsored health care system is efficient and effective in covering over 177 million Americans -- leading to better health outcomes, lower costs, and more satisfied individuals, and should be the basis of any health care reform solution. We urge Congress not to destabilize this foundation of the American health care system, especially while smaller segments of the market are in so much transition.

The Alliance to Fight the 40 opposes taxing employer-sponsored health benefits which would mean higher income taxes for millions of workers and their families.

The message from Americans is clear: Don't tax my health care.

The Alliance to Fight the 40 is a broad based coalition comprised of patient advocates, businesses, consumer and employer organizations and other stakeholders that support employer-sponsored health coverage. This coverage protects over 175 million Americans across the United States. The Alliance seeks to repeal the 40% tax on employee health benefits to ensure that employer-sponsored coverage remains an effective and affordable option for working Americans and their families.

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