

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50

Senators Hertel, Singh, Moss, McCann, Camilleri, McMorrow, Shink, Wojno, Geiss, Klinefelt, Polehanki, Brinks, Santana, Chang, Irwin, Cherry, Bayer, Cavanagh and Anthony offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to urge the President of the United States and
2 the United States Congress to fully fund Medicaid and to reject any
3 proposal that would strip access to those in need and shift costs
4 onto states, health care providers, and vulnerable individuals.

5 Whereas, Medicaid provides healthcare access to over 71
6 million Americans and nearly 2.2 million Michigan residents. The
7 program plays a vital role in ensuring access to essential health
8 care services, improving health outcomes, and reducing
9 uncompensated care for hospitals and providers; and

10 Whereas, Medicaid is a foundational component of the health
11 care safety net, particularly in underserved and rural communities

1 where access to affordable care may otherwise be limited.
2 Michigan's Medicaid program receives around 70 percent of its
3 funding, 19 billion dollars, from the federal government to provide
4 health coverage to more than one million children, 300,000
5 individuals with disabilities, and 168,000 seniors; and

6 Whereas, Despite Medicaid's importance, President Trump and
7 Congressional Republicans are proposing funding cuts and structural
8 changes that would be inefficient and ineffective, and that would
9 shift costs to the states, health care providers, and vulnerable
10 individuals. Full and consistent federal funding of Medicaid is
11 essential to ensure access to care, especially during times of
12 emergency, economic downturns, and periods of increased cost of
13 living; now, therefore, be it

14 Resolved by the Senate, That we urge the President of the
15 United States and the United States Congress to fully fund Medicaid
16 and to reject any proposal that would strip access to those in need
17 and shift costs onto states, health care providers, and vulnerable
18 individuals; and be it further

19 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the
20 President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States
21 House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States
22 Senate, and the Michigan congressional delegation.