



Health Care Reform Update

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Side-by-Side Comparison Chart

http://www.thenationalcouncil.org/galleries/policy-file/House_Senate%20HC%20Reform%20Bill%20Comparison.pdf

Senate & House Update

- On Nov. 7, House passed the Affordable Health Care for America Act (HR 3962)
- On Nov. 21, Senate agreed to begin floor debate of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (HR 2590)

Addressing Cost Concerns

“The C.B.O. has rendered a fundamental judgment that this will reduce the deficit and reduce people’s premium costs,” .. “All the Republican leadership will guarantee you is the status quo.”

-Rahm Emanuel

CBO announced that HR 2590 could significantly reduce costs for those who buy insurance through the individual market and wouldn’t change premiums for most people who buy insurance through large employers.



Senate Debate

- Debate began on Nov. 30
 - So far, very partisan
 - Unclear what will be changed during the next few weeks of debate
- Senator Reid hopes to bring bill to Senate vote by Christmas so a bill can be signed by the President by the end of January 2010.
 - Senate will be working weekends



Next Healthcare Reform Update Webinar

Save the Date: December 16, 2pm EST



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