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**Moment of Truth: Help Push Indian Health Care Improvement Act & Health Care Reform Over the Line**

Likely within the next 3 days, the House will vote on the Senate health care reform bill, which includes the permanent reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA)!

Now more than ever, your Members of Congress need to hear from YOU. Let them know Indian Country wants them to vote YES for health care reform, because it is health care for all Americans.

**ACTION NEEDED:** Call your Representatives (202-224-3121) TODAY and urge them to vote for the health care reform bill.

**TELL THEM:**
- The Indian Health Care Improvement Act is in the Senate bill and you expect their full support for this **TOP PRIORITY FOR INDIAN COUNTRY**.
- A Vote YES is a Vote for OUR health

**WHO NEEDS TO HEAR FROM INDIAN COUNTRY:**
*Notes: Every listed Member of Congress below is a Democrat. * indicates a co-sponsor of the IHCIA (H.R. 2708).

**ARIZONA**
Harry Mitchell – Undecided; GOP target.
Raul Grijalva* – Leaning yes; Despite many threats, Arizona liberal expected to vote yes.
Gabrielle Giffords – Undecided; GOP target.

**CALIFORNIA**
Dennis Cardoza – Undecided; Secured language for his District before last year's vote.
Jim Costa – Undecided; Secured project for his District before Nov. vote on House bill.
Joe Baca* – Leaning yes; Said “Recently, Country can’t wait any longer for reform.”

**COLORADO**
John Salazar* – Undecided; GOP target.
FLORIDA: Ron Klein – Undecided; GOP target.

MAINE: Mike Michaud* – Likely yes.

Michigan: Mark Schauer* – Undecided.

NORTH DAKOTA: Earl Pomeroy – Undecided; Voted against House health care bill in committee, and for it on the House floor.

NEW MEXICO: Harry Teague* – Leaning no; Told The Hill newspaper that he will review bill to see if final bill brings costs down.

NEVADA
Shelley Berkley – Undecided; Told Politico newspaper she does not like the Senate bill.
Dina Titus – Undecided; Her office told The Hill newspaper that the congresswoman is undecided. Voted no on House health care reform bill in committee and yes on the floor last year.

NEW YORK: Bill Owens – Undecided; One of first votes in Congress was yes on House health bill. Media reports have him as undecided.

OREGON
David Wu – Undecided; He was undecided for three hours during 2003 Medicare drug vote, then voted with the GOP.
Kurt Schrader – Undecided; Budget Committee member didn't vote during March 15 markup. In competitive reelection race.

SOUTH DAKOTA: Stephanie Herseth Sandlin – Likely no; Congresswoman told the Rapid City Journal she’s a “no,” noting she is not a fan of reconciliation. She also voted no on education reform bill expected to move in reconciliation with healthcare reform.

WASHINGTON
Brian Baird – Undecided.
Adam Smith – Undecided.

WISCONSIN
Ron Kind – Undecided; He represents a competitive district. He voted against bill in committee
David Obey – Undecided; He is waiting to review bill language. Likely yes.

WEST VIRGINIA: Nick Rahall* – Undecided; Chairman of the Natural Resources Committee.


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THANK YOU!!!!!