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## **STATEMENT FROM THE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN PRAISING GROUP OF SENATORS WHO DEFEATED REPEAL OF AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (ACA)**

**(Washington, DC)**—The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy (The National Campaign) is grateful to the group of Senators who voted against the repeal of the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

“Like the millions of Americans who woke up this morning knowing that they still have health coverage—including coverage for birth control—we’re relieved and thankful to those Senators who opposed this bill,” said Ginny Ehrlich, CEO of The National Campaign. “While it is not clear what next steps Congress will take on health care, we hope this bi-partisan vote will lead to further bi-partisan efforts to improve our health care system, and close the [gaps in coverage and access to contraception](#) that still exist for more than 19 million women.”

Early this morning, the Senate voted down the Health Care Freedom Act (also known as the “Skinny Repeal”). The bill would have resulted in 16 million people losing their health insurance and with it their contraceptive coverage, while raising health insurance premiums by 20 percent. It would also have banned those on Medicaid from seeking care at high quality contraceptive care providers like Planned Parenthood. The [bi-partisan vote was 51-49](#).

**About The National Campaign:** The National Campaign is a private, non-partisan, non-profit organization that seeks to improve the lives and future prospects of children and families by preventing teen and unplanned pregnancy. Please visit us at [www.TheNationalCampaign.org](http://www.TheNationalCampaign.org) or follow along on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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