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Joint statement from Democratic legislative leaders on plans to repeal Affordable Care Act

SALEM – Oregon Senate Majority Leader Ginny Burdick (D-Portland) and House Majority Leader Jennifer Williamson (D-Portland) released the following statement today regarding plans to repeal the Affordable Care Act:

"The plans by Congressional Republicans and the Trump Administration to repeal the Affordable Care Act are inhumane, unjust and will harm families in Oregon and across the country. Our most vulnerable community members – the sick, elderly, children and low-income families – will be robbed of the life-saving care they need.

Under this plan, average Oregon families will shoulder a much higher burden, or go without coverage. Taxpayers will carry far more of the costs of caring for those who need it. People who need health insurance the most, and finally have it under the ACA, will be put at risk again. This will have devastating impacts throughout Oregon, particularly in rural areas, where there is a higher percentage of Medicaid patients. This will make our state less healthy and less prosperous. Trump's plan is a losing proposition for Oregon families."