



Rep. Kathy Hochul's Votes to Repeal Portions Of the Affordable Care Act

Voted to repeal...

CLASS Act

Rep. Hochul voted for, and the House passed, H.R. 1173, the *Fiscal Responsibility and Retirement Security Act*, which included a repeal of the CLASS Act. The CLASS Act, originally passed into law through the Affordable Care Act, was intended to help disabled seniors obtain long-term care. However, the program proved to be financially unsustainable, and Secretary of Health Kathleen Sebelius said she was unable to find a way to make it financially solvent. ([Roll no. 18](#); passed 267-159; Rep. Hochul voted AYE)

IPAB

Rep. Hochul voted for, and the House passed, H.R. 5, the *Protecting Access to Healthcare Act*, which would repeal the language in ACA that authorizes the Independent Payment Advisory Board (IPAB). While IPAB was created with the intention of slowing Medicare growth rates, Rep. Hochul believes it is more likely that the board will shift the cost burden onto our seniors and limit innovative therapies. With no administrative or judicial review, this commission would have the power to cut Medicare spending by reducing reimbursement rates. Left unchecked, IPAB ultimately threatens the ability of our nation's seniors to obtain the health care they need. ([Roll no. 126](#); passed 223-181; Rep. Hochul voted AYE)

Medical Device Tax and FSA Flexibility

Rep. Hochul voted for, and the House passed, H.R. 436, the *Protecting Medical Innovation Act*, which would repeal two provisions of the Affordable Care Act: the scheduled 2.3% excise tax on medical device manufactures and the prohibition on using flexible health spending accounts to pay for over-the-counter drugs. ([Roll no. 361](#); passed 270-146; Rep. Hochul voted AYE)

Was not in Congress for vote, but supports repeal of...

1099 Reporting Requirement

Before Rep. Hochul became a Representative, Congress voted to repeal 1099 reporting requirements for small businesses. The 1099 reporting rules require businesses to report certain types of purchases of goods and services over \$600 annually. The Affordable Care Act expanded the requirement to report *all* purchases exceeding \$600 annually, which disproportionately affects small businesses. Rep. Hochul supported this repeal. ([Roll No. 162](#); passed 314-112; Rep. Hochul supported this bill)