

Washington, D.C. – Today, Representative David Price (NC-04) released the following statement as the House of Representatives voted, for a second time during the current Congress, on legislation repealing the Affordable Care Act.

"The American people should know that job creation is again on the back burner in the House of Representatives as an out-of-touch Republican majority has spent two full days on a second vote repealing the landmark Affordable Care Act.

"The consequences of repealing consumer protections and patient rights are the same as the last time the House Republicans voted to do so in January of 2011: insurance companies would again be able to discriminate against consumers with pre-existing conditions; parents of children with birth defects or asthma or cancer would not be able to insure their children, for example. Seniors would see the cost of their prescription drugs increase, young people would be kicked off their parent's insurance plans, and middle class Americans and small businesses would see their insurance costs rise.

"Fortunately, the bill advanced as a result of this legislative temper tantrum will not become law, but that should be no excuse for this sad example of Republicans putting politics ahead of people. The people have spoken: it's time for Republicans to get to work on jobs instead of taking patient protections away from American families.

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