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17 Trillion Reasons to Repeal Obamacare

Twila Brase of Citizens' Council for Health Freedom Says New Figures and Recently Released Study Prove That Obamacare is Bad for the Economy

St. Paul, Minn.—As if Obamacare opponents didn't have enough cause to fight to repeal the federal health care law, three new billion-dollar financial reasons emerged this week, further proving that the government health reform law will be detrimental for the country.

Twila Brase, president and co-founder of Citizens' Council for Health Freedom, a patient-centered national health policy organization based in St. Paul, Minn., has long fought Obamacare for reasons ranging from its unconstitutional nature and infringement on religious freedoms to the sharing of private patient data through a federal government hub. These most recent fiscal reasons should put to rest any remaining arguments that Obamacare will be good for the nation, she says.

“Perhaps once we see on paper that Obamacare will put our nation even further in debt, we will come to our senses about this federal health care plan,” Brase said. “At this point, lie upon lie has been told about the positive aspects of the Affordable Care Act. Even the name itself is a misnomer in light of these new numbers that show that Obamacare will undoubtedly help plunge our county even further into financial ruin. This law is simply wrong for America.”

First, *The Washington Times* reported that the Internal Revenue Service got a small gift just days before the April 17 tax filing deadline— \$500 million from the Obama Administration to help move along the healthcare initiative, namely to help hire 300 new employees who will oversee the controversial individual mandate currently before the Supreme Court. These new agents would also handle Obamacare's \$22.2 billion in new taxes on drug companies and the \$60 billion in new taxes on health insurers. The IRS has also asked Congress to finance 537 other new staffers to administer Obamacare's subsidies for low-income patients.

Second, the *Times* and *The Washington Post* both reported on a new study from Charles Blahous, a conservative policy analyst whom Obama approved in 2010 as the GOP trustee for Medicare and Social Security. In his research, Blahous found that Obamacare, long touted as a means to

control costs, will actually add more than \$340 billion to the nation's budget woes over the next decade.

The study, titled "Fiscal Consequences of the Affordable Care Act," stated that "over the years 2012-21, the Affordable Care Act is expected to add at least \$340 billion and as much as \$530 billion to federal deficits while increasing federal spending by more than \$1.15 trillion over the same period and by increasing amounts thereafter."

And third, and most significant, is the \$17 trillion in long-term unfunded liability that Obamacare will cause. Jeff Sessions, the Senate Budget Committee's top Republican, asked his staff to calculate that liability. After three months of number-crunching, they came up with the figure that surpasses today's \$15.6 trillion national debt by 9 percent.

"I was floored by what we discovered," Sessions said. "This health law adds an entirely new obligation—one we cannot pay for—and puts the entire financing of the United States government in jeopardy. We don't have the money. We don't have another \$17 trillion in unfunded liabilities that we can add to our account."

"Mr. Sessions is exactly right," Brase said. "Our country simply can't afford taking a chance on Obamacare. It's dangerous for our financial security, our privacy and our quality of health care, and it's a risk that Congress and the President should not force Americans to take."

Twila Brase shares health care-related news with the American public in her daily, 60-second radio feature, ***Health Freedom Minute***. ***Health Freedom Minute*** airs on the entire American Family Radio Network, with more than 150 stations nationwide, in addition to Bott Radio Network with over 80 stations nationwide. During the daily features, **listeners can learn more about the agenda behind proposed health care initiatives and policies and what they can do to protect their health care choices, rights and privacy.**

Brase, a public health nurse and health care freedom advocate, informs listeners of crucial health issues, such as the intrusive wellness and prevention initiatives in Obamacare, patient privacy and the need for informed consent requirements, the dangers of "evidence-based medicine" and the implications of state and federal health care reform.

Health Freedom Minute is sponsored by the ***Citizens' Council for Health Freedom***, a freedom-focused, patient-centered national health care organization based in St. Paul, Minn. ***CCHF*** supports patient and doctor freedom, medical innovation and the right of citizens to a confidential patient-doctor relationship.

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