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Endangered Republicans Oppose Trump ACA Lawsuit

Six endangered Republicans in the U.S. Senate voted with Democrats to oppose President Trump's lawsuit against the un-Affordable Care Act. While many Americans would like to get back to the price of insurance before the ACA, these Republicans sought to reassure voters that they support maintaining insurance for people with pre-existing conditions. The bill failed but it put the votes on record.

Interestingly, before Obamacare, most people with pre-existing conditions could get coverage either through work or through insurance that covered pre-existing conditions, albeit at a higher price. Before the ACA fully kicked in, a program for people with pre-existing conditions topped out at only 115,000 enrollees in 2013. This provision, the cornerstone of the ACA, is one of the main reasons insurance is unaffordable today.

“Endangered Republicans Back Senate Democrats’ Bill Opposing Obamacare Lawsuit,” Alice Miranda Ollstein, POLITICO, October 1, 2020: <https://politi.co/36RzHpW>

“Pre-Existing Confusion,” Review and Outlook, The Wall Street Journal, May 1, 2017: <https://on.wsj.com/34Mpb0e>

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