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Why GOP’s AHCA Was Not a Repeal

The GOP’s failed American Health Care Act would not repeal Obamacare. It repeals most of its taxes and zeros out the Obamacare penalties, but it creates its own mandates, penalties and subsidies. The Texas Public Policy Foundation has a one-page diagram comparing Obamacare and the GOP bill. Of the 13 Obamacare items listed, eight are retained by the GOP bill.

Also, as a reminder, the Affordable Care Act is 2700 pages long. The limits on access to care haven’t been part of any public repeal discussion. While in D.C., we shared our list of priority items for repeal, including new Obamacare agencies that restrict access to care. A real repeal would repeal them all.