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Not Even Close to Repeal

On Thursday, the U.S. House passed the GOP health care bill 217 to 213. Twenty Republicans voted no. During the vote, Democrats waved and sang the “hey hey hey, goodbye” lyrics, suggesting Republicans will pay a political price. It was a spectacle. It’s now headed to the U.S. Senate, which says they’re going to write their own bill and not vote on the House bill.

The House bill does not repeal Obamacare. And tellingly, it’s no longer being described as a “repeal and replace” bill. Members of Congress and supporters are calling it “the first step” to repeal and replace Obamacare or “the next step” to repeal and replace Obamacare. In short, it’s nothing close to repeal of Obamacare. The federal government would still be in charge.


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