



April 19th, 2023

Dear House Health and Human Services Committee:

"Rhode Islanders' health collectively has thrived from the ACA. Despite the ACA again being upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in 2021, individual components of the ACA remain at risk. The most recent attack in the federal courts is the March 30, 2023 final ruling by a Texas federal court judge that severely limits the ACA requirement for preventive services without cost-sharing.

I believe those who need coverage regardless of pre-existing conditions should be able to be covered. They should be able to access essential health benefits like maternity care, mental health care, prescription drugs, hospitalization, reproductive healthcare and more. People should have No-Cost coverage for preventive services like your annual health exam, cancer screenings, contraception care, mental health screenings, and more. And finally, they should be able to count on protections against annual and lifetime limits."

We urge you to vote yes on H<u>5426</u>

Respectfully,

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