

***Catholics of Northern Colorado - Tell Congress:
Remove Abortion Funding & Mandates from Needed Health Care Reform***

Brief Update:

Congress is now debating health care reform legislation on the House and Senate floors. The U.S. bishops' conference has concluded that all committee approved bills are seriously deficient on the issues of abortion and conscience, and do not provide adequate access to health care for immigrants and the poor. As currently written all bills recently approved by House and Senate Committees are badly flawed. The bills will have to change, or the bishops have pledged to oppose them.

For the full text of the bishops' letter and more information on proposed legislation and the bishops' advocacy for authentic health care reform, visit: www.usccb.org/healthcare

ACTION:

Contact Members through e-mail, phone calls or FAX letters.

- **To send a pre-written, instant e-mail to Congress go to www.usccb.org/action**
- **Call** the U.S. Capitol switchboard at: 202-224-3121, or call your Members' local offices.
- Full contact info can be found on Members' web sites at www.house.gov and www.senate.gov

E-MAIL YOUR MESSAGE to COLORADO SENATE and HOUSE MEMBERS:

"During floor debate on the health care reform bill, please support an amendment to incorporate longstanding policies against abortion funding and in favor of conscience rights. If these serious concerns are not addressed, the final bill should be opposed."

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MESSAGE to HOUSE:

"Please support the Stupak Amendment that addresses essential pro-life concerns on abortion funding and conscience rights in the health care reform bill. Help ensure that the Rule for the bill allows a vote on this amendment. If these serious concerns are not addressed, the final bill should be opposed."

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES – COLORADO, DISTRICT 7

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WHEN: Both House and Senate are preparing for floor votes now. **Act today! Thank you!**