

CALL TO ACTION #1: Defend Medicare / Medicaid from "One Big Beautiful Bill" Act	
<p><i>Until this is defeated in the Senate ... Keep the pressure on!</i></p> <p><i>On May 22, the House narrowly passed H.R. 1, the “One Big Beautiful Bill” Act, that funds tax cuts for the wealthy by gutting crucial programs like Medicaid and Medicare.</i></p>	
Background:	<p>Medicaid insures 72 million low-income and disabled Americans. Medicare insures 55 million people, primarily seniors. H.R. 1 would endanger health care access for Medicaid and Medicare enrollees.</p> <p>The bill would reduce Medicaid expansion funding for states that offer coverage to lawfully present immigrants and bans coverage for gender-affirming care.</p> <p>The bill targets people covered under Medicaid expansion, requiring them to recertify eligibility twice a year and co-pay for services.</p> <p>New administrative complexity could cause millions to lose coverage.</p> <p>The bill will trigger \$500+ billion in cuts to Medicare due to a budget rule that requires any reduction in revenue be offset by cuts in other areas of the budget.</p> <p>The Senate is now considering the House’s budget proposal. Demand a budget that preserves Medicaid and Medicare coverage and benefits all Americans.</p>
Script:	<p>Hello, my name is [NAME] and I’m a constituent from [CITY / ZIP CODE].</p> <p>I’m calling to urge Senator [NAME] to oppose H.R. 1, the House budget reconciliation bill. This bill could cause millions of people on Medicaid to lose access to health care while making Medicaid more expensive and complex to administer.</p> <p>I'm also deeply concerned about the Congressional Budget Office analysis showing that paying for wealthy people's tax cuts would lead to \$500 billion in cuts to Medicare.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and consideration.</p> <p><i>IF LEAVING VOICEMAIL: Please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied.</i></p>
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What kind of action is this?	Phone call
How long will this take?	5 - 10 Minutes