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General Comment

This is not a good plan and works against the positive restrictions designed into the ACA to protect health consumers.

This legislation would cause outside plans to become too attractive to consumers and draw them away from the ACA, thus weakening the effectiveness of the latter. Plans that compete unfairly with the ACA based on lower premiums often deliver less when necessary. They are designed to save the insurance companies money while shortchanging their customers. These plans are not designed to protect consumers and make them more vulnerable financially.

This legislation is a patently obvious attempt to weaken the ACA. It should be opposed by all who care about strengthening America's healthcare plans!