



Dear Friends,

This week, Republicans launched a vicious assault on a woman's right to choose, with a trio of dangerous bills that would roll back the clock on decades of progress on reproductive rights. The Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution, on which I am the ranking Democrat, held a hearing on one of these bills, the radically anti-choice H.R. 3.



Rep. Nadler delivers his opening statement in the Constitution Subcommittee in opposition to the anti-choice bill, H.R. 3

H.R. 3 would take away all tax exemptions and credits for any health insurance plan that covers abortion services. This means that the 87% of American families and businesses that currently purchase health insurance which includes abortion coverage would be hit with crippling tax penalties. Put more succinctly: the bill would impose monetary penalties on people and businesses spending their own money on abortion coverage or services.

By doing so, Republicans would seek to dictate how Americans spend their own health care dollars when it comes to personal health decisions. This is the height of hypocrisy for a party that lectures us so frequently on protecting individual freedoms from government overreach.

As a passionate and long-time advocate for women's rights and reproductive freedoms, I have strenuously opposed H.R. 3. Such an assault on women and families must never be tolerated, let alone when it holds hostage the health coverage of millions of women for the sake of one ideological objective.

Just before a hearing on the bill in the Constitution Subcommittee, I received signed petitions from 150,000 Americans who similarly oppose such attacks on women and their families. Together, we will fight this resurgent and radical right-wing agenda and protect the hard-won rights of women everywhere.

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