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Dear Mr. Allison:

As the health care debate is reaching its crescendo here in Washington, I wanted to reach out to your organization as a valuable resource for how some of the proposed changes will affect the state of Kansas. H.R. 3962, the Affordable Health Care for America Act, mandates that all states raise Medicaid enrollment to 150 percent of the federal poverty level. H.R. 3962 also raises the Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMP) to 91 percent of this expansion cost by 2019.

According to estimates by the National Conference of State Legislatures, raising enrollment eligibility to 133 percent of the federal poverty level and capping FMP at 95 percent would create a cost to the state of Kansas would be a \$226 million dollars from 2014-2019.

It is apparent then that the additional expansion of eligibility to 150 percent of the poverty line, coupled with the lower compensation rate will create an even greater burden on our state coffers. For this reason, I would like to ask you for an estimate of the projected obligations that passage of H.R. 3962 would have on the state of Kansas.

I sincerely appreciate your timely attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress