

CLASS Act

Earlier this week I voted to repeal the "CLASS Act" portion of the health care reform bill. The CLASS (Community Living Assistance Services and Supports) Act created a new government entitlement program for long-term care payments which was unsustainable and destined to fail. The program allowed lower-income and no-income Americans to purchase medical coverage for \$5 a month. At the same time, it aimed to pay out \$50 a day (\$18,250 a year) in benefits to enrollees for the rest of their lives. Because little financial input was required of enrollees, the program was set to collect premiums for nearly five years before paying benefits. At its inception, not even the Obama Administration expected the program to break even, remarking that these entitlements had "no viable path forward."

Repealing this Act will ensure that millions of dollars are not wasted on a program that needs to be propped up by taxpayers. These type of programs should not be created using hidden costs and sloppy economics. We can no longer spend what we do not have in the bank.

[Follow this link to read more about the CLASS Act](#) .

Interview with Crash Davis on 1110 KFAB

This week I had the opportunity to talk with Crash Davis, on his local radio show, about two issues that greatly affect our nation. You can listen to my interview in full by following the links below.

[Part One](#) : We discuss the Keystone XL Pipeline and the effects it would have on our economy.

[Part Two](#) : My views on the latest mandate handed down by the federal government requiring faith based organizations to provide funding for contraceptives. This attacks the essence of the Conscience Clause, which was put in place to protect our health care providers.

Neighborhood Meeting Rescheduled

My neighborhood meeting scheduled for this Saturday at Cherry Bean Coffee has been rescheduled to Saturday February 18th.

Cherry Bean Coffee

7110 N 102nd St.

8:30 to 10 a.m.

If you have any questions please contact my Omaha office at 402-397-9944.

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