

Why Repeal if We are Going to Replace?

The House Republicans' replacement of Obamacare is here – the American Health Care Act!

[According to the New York Times](#), the new plan would replace Obamacare's individual mandate with a system of tax credits lawmakers hope would incentivize Americans to purchase their own plans, although the credits would eventually be reduced and phased out. It would also roll back Obamacare's expansion of Medicaid.

"We promised the American people we would drain the swamp and end business as usual in Washington," said Utah Sen. Mike Lee. "This bill does not do that."

Worse yet, over the last three major national elections beginning in 2010, Republicans have won congressional races across the country based on the promise to repeal Obamacare with a market-based, non-government-run solution.

Lee added that the proposal "is exactly the type of back-room dealing and rushed process that we criticized Democrats for, and it is not what we promised the American people."

Hmmm, have you ever heard of Jonathan Gruber? He is the MIT economist who was once considered to be the intellectual architect behind Obamacare. In 2009, Nancy Pelosi was quoting him publically and endorsing his published opinions regarding this enormous American debacle.

Later in 2014, Gruber candidly declared that the legislation was written in a way that was designed to deceive the American people and to exploit "the stupidity of the American voter."

Gruber was very pleased, and pleased with himself apparently,

that he and his cronies were able to fool us all.

It was for our own good, of course, that they did it.

You see, in the socialist mind, the progressive agenda is good for Americans, but Americans are just too dense to see it as clearly as socialists do. So-called "liberals" are therefore reluctant to let the rest of us make our own decisions. This reluctance leads them to lie to us "for our own good" and we now see both parties are guilty of it.

Let me ask the simple question, do you believe that government is a truth-teller?

Do you believe that government intervention in a marketplace makes the market more efficient and just?

Do you believe that government is the solution to our economic problems?

If you do, then maybe Jonathan Gruber is right. Maybe you need someone like him, or your favorite political party, to lie to you for your own good.

But if you believe, as Ronald Reagan said, that government itself is the problem, you would expect that the party of Reagan, the party that has just won a sweeping victory, would use that victory to undo the farce of Obamacare.

But if the Republicans, who now hold both houses of Congress and the Presidency, fail to deliver a full repeal of the Obamacare mess, then we might have to admit that Mr. Gruber was right about our lack of judgment.

The Constitution does not grant the federal government any authority to meddle in our health care, so it wouldn't matter even if the Republican replacement plan were a good one.

The operative clauses to look up here are Article One, Section Eight of the Constitution and the Tenth Amendment. It will only take you about six minutes to read and understand that any replacement of Obamacare is more than just a Republican betrayal for American health care; it is a dangerous and tyrannical trespass into American homes and lives.

Make no mistake, repealing Obamacare is the Congress's duty, and to replace it is the action of tyrants.

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