

GOP Senate candidate Leah Vukmir backs 3 separate Republican efforts to gut anti-discrimination protections the for 2.4 million Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions.

MADISON -- Tomorrow, oral arguments begin in the latest legal challenge to invalidate the Affordable Care Act's protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions -- and Republican Senate candidate Leah Vukmir says that effort to gut protections for the 2.4 million Wisconsinites and 133 million Americans who have pre-existing conditions is a " necessary step ."

If Vukmir gets her way, federal protections that block insurance companies from jacking up prices or denying coverage to millions of Americans who have pre-existing conditions would be repealed.

But it isn't just the lawsuit that Vukmir believes to be a "necessary step," Vukmir also supports two additional separate Republican efforts to gut protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions:

- Vukmir supports Republican repeal plans in Congress to gut protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions, strip coverage away from millions, and let insurance companies charge older Americans more for coverage. Last week, Vice President Mike Pence announced that Washington Republicans need Leah Vukmir in the U.S. Senate to jam through a Republican repeal plan that would

- Vukmir also supports the Trump Administration's recent push for "junk insurance" plans that the AARP says would let insurance companies discriminate against people with pre-existing conditions and even charge older Americans more for

coverage.

"Wisconsinites know who is standing up for them when it comes to health care: while Tammy Baldwin is putting Wisconsin first and working to strengthen protections for the 2.4 million Wisconsinites who have pre-existing conditions, Leah Vukmir is standing with her corporate special interest backers in supporting three separate efforts to gut protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions," **said Brad Bainum, DPW spokesperson for the 2018 Senate race** .

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