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"Times are tough in Washington state and across America—especially for seniors who often live on fixed incomes. **That is why**



one of my top priorities in Congress has been protecting Medicare and Social Security benefits that seniors have earned over a lifetime of hard work and dedication." —Dave Reichert

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PROTECT AND STRENGTHEN YOUR HEALTHCARE



There is much debate in Congress about Medicare. Medicare provides vital health benefits to millions of Americans, and I believe it must be protected and strengthened. As a Member of the House Ways and Means Committee that has jurisdiction over the Medicare program, I will carefully evaluate any proposal that affects these vital health benefits with these 5 guiding principles:

DELIVER ON PROMISES. Those who are approaching retirement should not only receive the benefits that they've been promised and already supported with their tax dollars, but those benefits should be improved. I oppose cutting benefits, raising the eligibility age, or raising taxes on families and small businesses.

IMPROVE BENEFITS. Stop the raid on Medicare from the healthcare overhaul law by making sure any Medicare savings go to improving healthcare for beneficiaries and ensuring Medicare is preserved for future generations.

REDUCE COSTS. Advance proposals that raise seniors' quality of life by reducing outof-pocket healthcare costs. I support legislation that eliminates the co-pay for mammograms, colonoscopies, and other regular preventative care procedures.

ENSURE ACCESS. Fix the Medicare physician payment formula so that seniors can continue to have access to high quality care.

ENABLE CHOICE. Allow younger workers, when they become eligible for Medicare, to choose a guaranteed coverage option that best suits their needs—much like Members of Congress do. This would leave Medicare unchanged for those nearing retirement and would also allow Medicare to provide additional assistance for lower-income beneficiaries and those with greater health risks.

UNCOVERING THE TRUTH ABOUT AARP



I recently released "Behind the Veil: The AARP America Doesn't Know," a report exposing AARP's questionable business practices. The report, which is the culmination of more than a year-long investigation, concludes that AARP stands to make upwards of one billion dollars over the next ten years as a result of last year's healthcare overhaul law through the sale of insurance products they are paid to endorse.

In fact, despite its non-profit tax exempt status, AARP could be the 6th largest insurance company in America, and its profits are only expected to grow as the healthcare law is implemented. The facts I've uncovered point to **a direct conflict of interest between AARP's advocacy for eliminating the Medicare Advantage program that millions of their members benefit from and the massive profits AARP receives** from for-profit companies for sponsoring Medigap plans that seniors will be forced to buy in the absence of Medicare Advantage. It's apparent that AARP is putting its bottom line ahead of the best interests of the seniors it claims to represent.