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U.S. House of Representatives Cancels Vote on Affordable Care Act Replacement Legislation

Earlier this afternoon, after days of negotiation and speculation among the House Republican Caucus, the House Republican Leadership pulled an anticipated floor vote on the updated [American Health Care Act \(H.R. 1628\)](#) under budget reconciliation, which would have repealed a number of provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). After a number of amendments made to further alter ACA provisions, Republicans still remained short of the necessary 216 votes needed to pass the legislation.

Outlook:

Signals from House Leadership and the President indicate there will be no further work on the bill in the foreseeable future as they move on to other legislative needs this year

including tax reform, user fee reauthorization, and appropriations legislation. Although the Senate could still pursue ACA repeal legislation under budget reconciliation, they have not been active on pursuing this and also have other priorities to address in the near future. It is likely that the Administration will pursue changes within their authority to alter the health care exchanges and Medicaid in the future as Republicans regroup on health care legislation.

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