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Senate President Morse: “Governor’s Comments Detrimental to Progress on Health Care”

Concord, NH – Senate President Chuck Morse issued the following statement this morning regarding Governor Hassan’s troubling comments on Saturday evening at a Democratic Party fundraiser that a compromise deal on health care reform would be worse than no deal at all:

“The Governor’s suggestion that the health care plan offered by Senate Republicans, one that would increase access to private insurance while protecting taxpayers, would be worse than leaving nearly 60,000 New Hampshire citizens without insurance is detrimental to the progress Democrats and Republicans in the legislature are making towards a compromise.

“The flaws of ObamaCare are becoming more apparent every day. Regardless, Governor Hassan is asking lawmakers to ignore them and simply adopt a key component of President Obama’s health care law in New Hampshire with no safeguards in place. Senate Republicans will not take that chance with the taxpayer’s dollars or put the long term financial well being of the state of New Hampshire at risk.

“Instead, we continue to work towards a compromise that protects New Hampshire from the obvious flaws of the federal health care law while seeking to take advantage of federal funding available to help us extend insurance coverage to thousands of New Hampshire residents that lack it today. We’d argue those hardworking men and women who would benefit from our plan would agree that it is unquestionably better than no solution at all.

“Governor Hassan’s all or nothing approach is not how laws are made in New Hampshire, that’s the mindset of how laws are made in Washington. New Hampshire deserves better. In the days ahead, we hope the Governor will focus less on press conferences and partisan rhetoric and more on being here in the State House working with us to create a piece of legislation that will improve the lives of thousands of Granite State citizens.”

During a Democratic Party fundraiser on Saturday evening, Governor Hassan was quoted as saying, “The bad deal senate republicans are offering is worse than no deal at all.”

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