



Dear Friends,

Once upon a time, there was a big bad monopoly that had Americans by the throat. Then along came something called a functioning Department of Justice that utilized a little something called the law and broke that monopoly up. It's well past time for the DOJ to brush off the history and law books, look up Standard Oil, take a refresher course in antitrust law and do its job.

20 ideas, 20 minutes, \$20: Makeover

Here is Idea #18 in our campaign to give voters actual solutions to our current challenges and to provide **20 steps to a Total Democracy Makeover.**

We need you as partners in this journey to create a healthy, vibrant and thriving democracy. [If you like the idea, contribute \\$20.](#)

My opponents are in the kowtowing business--kowtowing to party establishment, big money, PACs, and K Street. **I am in the solutions business.** The solutions business for Main Street's small businesses--your business.

The ACA is a sellout to the Insurance Companies. How do we fix it?



Idea #18, Make the Department of Justice Do Its Job. Break. Them. Up.

The "Affordable" Care Act will not deliver on its promise of affordable healthcare for America. It is a sham and a chimera.

The ACA was written by a former Wellpoint (giant health insurance co.) lobbyist Liz Fowler working for Senator Max Baucus (generously funded by Health Insurance corps).

Like anything in politics, the rule is: Follow the Money. Big Insurance Companies (ICs) supported the ACA because they will get millions of new "consumers" without having to earn them. I say consumers specifically because ICs do not see people as people but rather as numbers and dollar signs on their actuarial tables.

So the ICs don't have to improve their product and earn people's business: the corporate Democrats just handed off the people like a political football, now being **forced to buy the IC's mediocre at best, and shoddy and dangerous at worst product.**

Once the transfer of those millions of people to the ACA happens, and small businesses continue to drop healthcare coverage (and they are), we will be left with (1) Growing ACA Exchanges and (2) Diminishing Employer-based coverage. As the ACA captures more of the market, the premiums will go up, which in turn will cause the employer-based premiums to increase.

Look no further than our own backyard: Massachusetts now has the highest premiums "on Earth", to quote Dr. Marcia Angell formerly the editor of the New England Journal of Medicine.

In the very near future, all employers, big and small, will be priced out, and they will cry uncle and just stop providing the benefit. Then that will leave us with only the ACA.

Some on the left argue that will be "universal" healthcare: their promulgation of this notion is offensive and a lie. **Forcing people to pay a private corporation for an inferior product is not "universal" healthcare. It is corporate socialism. Once the ICs have a captive consumer base, they will jack up their prices just like all monopolies do.**

Nancy Pelosi had the nerve to send this email, ""This morning, Speaker Boehner and House Republicans PASSED a bill that would threaten a government shutdown in order to put insurance companies back in charge of your health care. It's despicable." What is despicable is corporate establishment Democrats pretending that the ACA wasn't a total sellout to the insurance companies.

Nancy and the corporate Democrat "leadership" did exactly that--they put insurance companies even more in charge of your healthcare and gave them a total stranglehold over us, and for them to pretend they are the white knights in this entire farce of bad theater is despicable.

My Idea #18: make the DOJ do some trust-busting to break up the insurance companies. Same goes for hospital mergers. **How? Congress can make the funding of the Department of Justice contingent upon the Attorney General doing his job of enforcing our laws, particularly our antitrust laws.**

In 1997, when we had more choices in health insurance, I was self-employed and paid about \$150 per month for very good coverage. Now I would have to pay \$1500+ per month for the same coverage. To be clear, these are the costs for a top plan with low co-pays for a healthy 26 year old now and then.

How is it possible that insurance costs have gone up 10-fold when our salaries and wages surely have not? We know why...because of monopolies. **Break. Them. Up.**

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Any person in the real world can see that the Congress Corporate Welfare Program for Big Insurance is illogical, a set up for disaster, bad for the American people and bad for the economy. Why hasn't my opponent done something about it?

My solution #18: Break Up Health Insurance Monopolies= Good For America.

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For democracy,

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