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Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep	
Issue:	Oppose: Brian Benczkowski Nomination				
Why:	<p>Brian Benczkowski has been nominated to lead the Department of Justice Criminal Division, which is responsible for enforcement of all federal criminal law. His nomination is highly concerning given his history with Alfa Bank, the Russian bank under investigation by the FBI for potential connections to the Trump organization.</p> <p>In March of this year, Benczkowski agreed to represent Alfa Bank during the investigation into ties between Alfa Bank servers and the Trump organization. A month later, the Trump administration asked him about his interest in leading the DOJ Criminal Division. Rather than immediately recuse himself from representing Alfa Bank, he continued working with them until June 6, the day he was officially nominated.</p> <p>Benczkowski's decision to take on, and keep representing, a controversial client with a potential conflict of interest against the American people, casts serious doubt on his judgment. In addition, Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Ranking Member of the Senate Judiciary Committee responsible for his approval, asked him if he would recuse himself from current / future cases involving Alfa Bank, as well as the related investigations underway by Special Counsel Mueller. He refused.</p> <p>The Senate will ultimately decide on Benczkowski's appointment, and Senators needs to hear from their constituents about their opposition to this highly problematic candidate.</p>				
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling to express my concern about DOJ Criminal Division nominee Brian Benczkowski, who has a troubling association with Russian bank Alfa Bank. I ask that mySenators vote against his nomination. We need someone with a demonstrated history of good judgment and lack of conflicts of interests for this crucial position.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>				

Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep	PA Secretary of State
Issue:	Oppose: Overturning Consumer Banking Protection				
Why:	<p>On July 10th, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) announced a new rule banning the use of mandatory arbitration clauses to block participation in class action lawsuits. According to the CFPB, this is a straightforward consumer protection providing a much-needed check on predatory</p>				

	<p>and illegal banking activities that will “stop companies from sidestepping the courts and ensure that people who are harmed together can take action together.”</p> <p>Banking contracts (such as those for checking accounts, credit cards or payday loans) routinely include “mandatory arbitration” clauses, requiring that all disputes be handled through private arbitration rather than the public court system. Banks use these clauses to avoid accountability by blocking consumers from bringing or joining class-action lawsuits and forcing those who have been victims of predatory and illegal practices to take legal action alone (something few Americans can afford) or give up.</p> <p>As a recent high-profile example, Wells Fargo used arbitration clauses to obstruct legal action following the revelation that employees created millions of fraudulent accounts for unwitting consumers. The Military Coalition, which represents over 5 million active and former service members, formally petitioned Congress to ban these clauses because the effects of predatory lending practices targeting the armed services are harming America’s military readiness and military personnel have a particularly limited ability to fight legal cases individually.</p> <p>Republican leaders (including those taking millions of dollars in donations from big banks) quickly denounced the new CFPB arbitration rule and introduced legislation (H.J. Res 111) to overturn it under the Congressional Review Act. This is a distressing case of legislators prioritizing Wall Street profits above the financial needs and consumer protection of all Americans.</p> <p>The House has passed H.J. Res 111. It is now in the Senate for consideration.</p>
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I’m calling to urge mySenator to vote against H.J. Res 111, the repeal of the CFPB’s Arbitration Rule recently passed in the House. Allowing consumers to take group action against financial institutions is a consumer right and a necessary check against predatory and illegal practices of financial institutions.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>

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Issue:	Support: Bipartisan Fix to ACA				
Why:	<p>In the middle of the night on July 27th, Senators Collins, Murkowski and McCain voted against the Senate GOP "Skinny Repeal," rendering the Congressional Republicans' ongoing efforts to repeal the Affordable Care Act dead. Note: the Senate will delay it’s recess for two weeks in which it may take up the issue again.</p> <p>The failure of this bill, and the previous bills in both the House and Senate, represent an opportunity for Republicans to abandon their partisan obsession with dismantling the ACA and instead partner with Democrats to shore up the law. One major Republican critique of the ACA has been that the individual insurance markets are unstable and have increasingly high premiums. However, these markets are in fact mostly stable, and tax subsidies have shielded most consumers from premium increases. In fact, Republicans themselves have contributed heavily to these markets' instability by refusing to commit to paying cost-sharing reductions that let them insure sicker people at lower costs. Meanwhile, the ACA's popular insurance regulations, such as prohibitions on annual and lifetime spending caps, mandated coverage of essential health benefits, and a ban on pricing discrimination based on gender or health status, have given millions of Americans unprecedented healthcare access.</p> <p>McConnell's floundering ACA repeal efforts have shown that his party cannot coalesce to develop a coherent ACA replacement, regardless of how much time they have to do so. Instead, Republicans should work with Democrats to implement a package of ACA fixes, from insurance market stabilization to negotiation of lower pharmaceutical costs, that would preserve (and even increase) access to affordable health insurance while still containing healthcare spending.</p>				

	Following the defeat of the ACA repeal on the Senate floor, Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) welcomed Senators on the other side of the aisle into a bipartisan discussion, in regular legislative order, to improve the nation's healthcare system. Now, it's on Republicans to do the right thing and shift their focus from closed door, partisan repeal plans to helping Americans.
Script:	Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown. [REPUBLICAN] : I'm calling to encourage Senator Toomey. to abandon their ACA repeal efforts and instead advocate for a bipartisan approach to healthcare reform in committee hearings and regular legislative order. The Senate has wasted too much time on unpopular and failing repeal plans when the majority of Americans want the ACA repaired. [DEMOCRAT] : I'm calling to encourage Senator Casey to pursue a bipartisan effort to repair the ACA. I thank the Senator for his persistence in fighting the Republican repeal plans, and the best way forward for the American people now is to find a way to fix the ACA's problems. Thank you for your hard work answering the phones. [IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]

Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep	PA Secretary of State
Issue:	Oppose: The Senate from going on Recess				
Why:	If Senator McConnell officially declares the Senate to be in recess, the President could then fire Attorney General Jeff Sessions and make "recess" appointment without the need of Senate approval. The replacement will more than likely to be amenable to fire Special Counsel Robert Mueller. This would end an independent investigation into the Russian meddling in our election and the Trump campaign's role in the meddling. During the Obama administration McConnell was careful not to give Obama the opportunity to make a recess appointment.				
Script:	Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown. I'm calling to oppose the Senate from officially going on recess. Please ask the Senator to talk to Mitch McConnell to not declare a recess. [IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]				

Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep
Issue:	Protect: Oppose Trumpcare – The Multi-Headed Snake Keeps Coming Back			
Why:	<p>By working together, we can track the most current vote tally of the Trumpcare bill. Call your senator and ask his or her stance and let us know with the buttons below. This legislation is too critical to be kept in the dark.</p> <p>Senate Republicans have released yet another draft of the Better Care Reconciliation Act (BCRA), their Affordable Care Act (ACA) repeal plan. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office predicted that the original draft of this bill would leave 22 million additional people uninsured by 2026, cut Medicaid funding by over a quarter by 2025 and by 36% by 2036, and increase healthcare spending by driving up deductibles and reducing covered benefits, all while delivering tax cuts to insurance executives and wealthy Americans.</p> <p>The new BCRA draft fixes almost none of the old draft's shortcomings. While it does eliminate some of the bill's original tax cuts to the wealthy, it retains the original draft's cruel cuts to Medicaid. The new BCRA draft includes a Ted Cruz-authored provision that lets insurers offer exchange plans that don't meet ACA standards as long as they offer at least one ACA-compliant plan. This change will effectively create a two-tiered insurance system in which sicker people will overwhelmingly choose the ACA-compliant plans while healthier consumers choose skimpier plans, leading to an unfavorable risk distribution that could create a death spiral in the individual market.</p> <p>Help us track who is fighting back against this unacceptable bill by calling your senator, asking if they support the BCRA, and *reporting their stance using the buttons below the script - YES, NO, or UNDECIDED*.</p> <p>We'll be updating the tracker in real-time as things change, so keep calling to find out your Senator's latest position, especially if your Senator is an undecided vote.</p>			

Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling about the Senate healthcare bill, the BCRA (AHCA in the House). Do know how the Senator plans to vote on it?</p> <p>[IF YES/SUPPORTS] I'm appalled by Senator Toomey's support for a bill that is predicted to endanger the health and economic stability of millions of Americans. This bill will make health insurance inaccessible to millions of lower-income and sicker Americans, especially since it deeply cuts Medicaid spending. Shame on Senator Toomey for prioritizing a partisan victory over their own constituents' needs. I will be actively working against [his/her] re-election.</p> <p>[IF NO/OPPOSES] That's great news! Please thank the Senator Casey for standing up for the rights of all Americans to access affordable health care. I hope the Senator will do everything in their power to stop the passage of this cruel bill.</p> <p>[OPTIONAL: Share a story about how the BCRA would harm you or women in your life.]</p> <p>Thank you for your hard work answering the phones.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>
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Issue:	Oppose: The Criminalization of Boycotts					
Why:	<p>In March of 2016, the United Nations Human Rights Council issued a resolution urging member nations to pressure companies to divest from Israel and maintain a database of companies that operate in territories beyond Israel's 1949 Armistice lines.</p> <p>In response to this, members of Congress introduced a bill, the Israel Anti-Boycott Act (S.720/H.R. 1697), to amend existing international business laws to make it a felony for Americans to support the UN resolution or to cooperate with any other international efforts to boycott Israel. While the Israel-Palestine conflict is an ongoing, complicated matter, this bill goes a step too far and criminalizes the ability of an American to protest.</p> <p>The bill, which has bipartisan sponsors ranging from Ted Cruz (R-TX) to Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY), would impose a minimum civil penalty of \$250,000, and a maximum criminal penalty of \$1 million and 20 years in prison, on boycott supporters. The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) has denounced the bill, noting that it would "impose civil and criminal punishment on individuals solely because of their political beliefs." Troublingly, a number of the bill's sponsors appear to be unaware of the bill's full implications. For example, co-sponsor Sen. Benjamin Cardin (D-MD) incorrectly told The Intercept that there would be no civil penalties for violating the Act.</p> <p>Regardless of your stance on Israel, the Israel Anti-Boycott Act is a clear infringement on First Amendment rights to freedom of speech and protest. Urge your congresspeople not to sponsor or support this dangerous erosion of the First Amendment.</p>					
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling to oppose [S.270 / H.R. 1697] the Israel Anti-Boycott Act. This bill is a clear violation of our First Amendment rights to protest and express one's personal political beliefs. I urge [REP/SEN NAME] to not support this blatantly unconstitutional bill.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>					

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Issue:	Oppose: Financial Choice Act Agency Defunding					
Why:	<p>After passing the widely criticized Financial Choice Act, a bill that would roll back the post-recession Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, the House is now moving to enact similar provisions through the federal budget process. The Republican-led Financial Services Subcommittee's 2018 spending bill would give Congress unprecedented control over the budget of federal financial regulators, including the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) and several</p>					

	<p>other agencies that oversee credit, mortgages, currency, etc. Currently, these agencies are funded by the Federal Reserve or other sources outside of the congressional appropriations process.</p> <p>This shifting of budgetary control gives Congress greater control over these agencies, allowing them to weaken these agencies' regulatory and enforcement powers. Language in the spending bill blocks the implementation of the Volcker Rule (which bans banks from making risky investments), prevents the CFPB from regulating payday lenders, and stops the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) from developing campaign finance rules for big corporations. While the Senate may decline to vote on the House's Financial Choice Act, the 2018 spending bills are must-pass bills. By sneaking 88 pages of the Financial Choice Act into the Financial Services spending bill, the House is using a backdoor method to weaken and eliminate consumer protections. It is unacceptable for the House to undermine rules designed to protect customers from the risky investment and lending practices that led to the catastrophic 2008 recession. The congressional threat to banking regulation is especially dire given that Trump executive branch appointees like Secretary of the Treasury Steve Mnuchin are decidedly disinterested in reining in corporate greed to protect individual consumers.</p> <p>The House Appropriations Committee passed the 2018 Financial Services spending bill on July 13th. It now awaits a vote on the House floor.</p>
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling to express my opposition to the Financial Services appropriations bill's funding changes and new enforcement limitations on the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and other banking regulators. The Dodd-Frank was put into place to prevent another recession, and I urge myRepresentative to oppose any spending bill that undermines implementation of this necessary law. Thank you for your hard work answering the phones.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>

Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep
Issue:	Protect: Women's Health Care from 'Better Care Reconciliation Act'			
Why:	<p>Given that the Senate's ACA-repeal bill, the Better Care Reconciliation Act (BCRA), was drafted entirely by Republican men, it is hardly surprising that the bill harms women's health in myriad ways. First, the bill would stop federal funding for Planned Parenthood for a year, even though the Hyde Amendment already prohibits allocation of federal dollars to abortion care. Defunding Planned Parenthood would cause thousands of people, particularly in areas with healthcare provider shortages, to lose access to crucial preventive services like cancer prevention and prenatal care.</p> <p>The bill also contains multiple other provisions that undermine access to maternity care. The BCRA will allow states to opt out of the requirement that exchange plans must cover ten essential health benefits, including maternity care and contraceptive access. Employers will also no longer be required to cover maternity care, as the bill eliminates the requirement that large employers offer insurance that meets specific standards. Attacks on Medicaid funding would further reduce coverage for maternity care, as nearly half of births in the US are currently paid for by Medicaid, and more than 25 million women are insured through Medicaid. The bill even allows states to impose work requirements on Medicaid recipients that would allow them to force mothers to find work within 60 days of giving birth.</p> <p>Finally, the bill prevents people from using tax credits to buy exchange plans that cover abortion services. Reproductive rights advocates argue that this provision will dissuade insurance companies from providing abortion coverage, even in employer-sponsored plans. This provision is also thought to violate the Byrd Rule, which prohibits the Senate from using the reconciliation process (i.e. a filibuster-proof voting process where legislation can pass with a simple majority) to pass any policy changes that do not directly affect the budget.</p> <p>Women are half of this country's population and deserve a healthcare bill that does not punish them for their gender.</p>			
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling to urge MySenators to oppose any provision in the Better Care Reconciliation Act which would harm women by defunding Planned Parenthood, rolling back Medicaid coverage, and allowing</p>			

<p>insurers to stop covering maternity care services and contraceptive access. Women should not face financial penalties and barriers to healthcare access simply because of their gender.</p> <p>[OPTIONAL: Share a story about how the BCRA would harm you or women in your life.]</p> <p>Thank you for your hard work answering the phones.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>
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Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep	PA Secretary of State
Issue:	Protect: Personal Data from Trump's Voter Suppression Commission				
Why:	<p>Earlier this year, Trump established an Election Integrity Commission, chaired by VP Mike Pence, supposedly to "promote fair and honest federal elections" and address alleged voter fraud. However, the appointment of Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach to the commission hints at the true purpose of this group. Kobach is a lawyer with ties to white nationalism who has helped write and pass voter ID laws in multiple states, many of which have been overturned in court due to their racially disparate impact and clear discriminatory intent. In early June, Kobach was fined \$1,000 for "presenting misleading arguments in a voting-related lawsuit." It is clear that the goal of this commission is voter suppression, not election integrity.</p> <p>Now, Kobach is taking action toward widespread national voter suppression. On June 29th, Kobach sent a letter to the secretaries of state (the state-level officials in charge of elections) of all 50 states demanding they turn over their complete voter rolls, including every voter's name, address, birthday, the last 4 digits of Social Security number, felony convictions, and their voting history from the last decade. The letter did not make clear what they intended to do with this delicate information, and because of Kobach's anti-voting rights history, it is exceptionally problematic. Kobach's letter also states that all information submitted to the commission would be made public, making it possible for personal data to be used for harassment or other wrongful purposes.</p> <p>The following 27 States have publicly stated they will not comply with Kobach's request:</p> <p>Arizona, California, Connecticut, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.</p> <p>PA Secretary of State is Pedro A. Cortés, tel: (717) 787- 6458.</p>				
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling to thank the Secretary of State for protecting citizens from Trump's Election Integrity Commission demand to turn over state voter rolls and personal information. This is clearly a push towards nationwide voter suppression and protecting our voter rights must be a priority for every state.</p> <p>Thank you for your hard work answering the phones.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>				

Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep	
Issue:	Oppose: The House Attack on Sanctuary Cities				
Why:	<p>The House has passed both Kate's Law and the No Sanctuary for Criminals Act. These bills will now go to the Senate for consideration. It is imperative that Senators understand that the No Sanctuary for Criminals Act would infringe on the ability of local law enforcement to protect their communities, and that Kate's Law would enact extreme punishments for undocumented immigrants, even those seeking asylum from humanitarian crises.</p> <p>Following in the Senate's footsteps, the House is now bypassing legislative procedure norms to push partisan bills through Congress faster. Two House bills, H.R. 3003 the No Sanctuary for Criminals Act and H.R. 3004 Kate's Law, passed on the House floor during on June 29th, even though neither bill has undergone typical committee hearings or amendment process. Furthermore, both bills were only</p>				

	<p>introduced on June 22nd, giving the rest of the House of Representatives less than a week to even read and analyze the bill text adequately enough.</p> <p>The bills themselves are also controversial, effectively serving as attacks on sanctuary cities. Kate's Law increases the minimum penalties for any immigrant who attempts to re-enter the US after being deported. Written in reaction to the death of Kate Steinle in San Francisco, the bill feeds off of the fear of illegal immigrants even though studies show immigrants are far less likely to commit crimes than those born in the US. The No Sanctuary for Criminals Act takes aim at sanctuary cities themselves, overriding their local detention policies and barring them from receiving Homeland Security and Justice Dept. grants if they don't comply. Together, these bills would increase our already sky-high prison population as well as the fear level within our immigrant communities.</p>
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling to express my opposition to Kate's Law and the No Sanctuary for Criminals Act. These bills will jeopardize local law enforcement's ability to protect our cities and instill even more fear among our immigrant communities. I urge MySenator to oppose these anti-immigrant bills and work towards better, comprehensive immigration reform.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and attention.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>

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Issue:	Oppose: Senate Trumpcare Bill				
Why:	<p>Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell has finally released the Senate's version of an Affordable Care Act repeal plan, after it was drafted in total secrecy by a group of 13 male Republican Senators. Despite promising that the bill would substantially differ from the House repeal bill, the American Health Care Act, the Senate bill preserves many of its cruelest provisions. While a Congressional Budget Office (CBO) score on the bill is still pending, it is clear that Senate Trumpcare will eviscerate insurance coverage for millions just like its House predecessor.</p> <p>While Senate Trumpcare retains the ACA's protections for people with preexisting conditions, it allows insurers to stop covering essential health benefits like mental health services and maternity care. The bill is overtly hostile to women's health: it defunds Planned Parenthood for the next year, eliminates premium subsidies for exchange plans that include coverage for abortion care, and excludes pregnant women from enrolling in Medicaid expansion programs. The bill also maintains the House bill's rollback of Medicaid expansion; although the withdrawal of federal funding for Medicaid coverage would take place more slowly, the end result will be the same--11 million people will lose their insurance. The Senate bill not only institutes a per capita spending cap on federal funding for Medicaid but also would *penalize* states whose per capita spending exceeds the national average.</p> <p>To summarize, the Senate bill hurts women, anyone relying on coverage of essential health benefits like mental health services, and poor people. The only winners under this bill are the healthcare and insurance industries, who would benefit from the bill's near-wholesale repeal of Affordable Care Act taxes. Your Senator needs to hear from you that this bill is an unacceptable attack on Americans' access to affordable healthcare.</p>				
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling to urge <u>MySenator</u> to oppose the Senate version of the Affordable Care Act repeal bill. I am deeply disturbed that this bill preserves many horrible provisions from the House repeal bill, including defunding of Planned Parenthood, rollback of Medicaid expansion and implementation of per capita Medicaid funding, and the repeal of ACA taxes to benefit the wealthy. I urge you to vote against this cruel bill, which does nothing to address the ACA's problems and endangers the health and economic stability of millions of Americans.</p> <p>[OPTIONAL: Share a personal story of why the ACA is so important to you, your family, and / or your community]</p> <p>Thank you for your hard work answering the phones.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>				

Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep	
Issue:	Oppose: Senate cuts to Prevention and Public Health Fund				
Why:	<p>Republican Senators' Affordable Care Act repeal bill was finally released to the public on June 22 after being drafted in secret by 13 men. While criticisms of the bill have understandably focused primarily on its effects on healthcare, the bill has dire implications for public health programs as well.</p> <p>Under the Affordable Care Act, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) receives nearly \$1 billion annually to fund efforts to combat bioterrorism threats, respond to epidemics like Zika and Ebola, and provide routine preventive services like cancer screening and immunizations. The Senate Trumpcare bill eliminates this funding source, known as the Prevention and Public Health Fund, starting in October of this year. The Fund currently provides about 12% of the CDC's overall budget and 40% of the CDC's immunization program budget. Suddenly terminating this crucial funding, as former CDC director Tom Frieden has noted, will put Americans "at greater risk of vaccine-preventable disease, food-borne infections, and deadly infections contracted in hospitals."</p> <p>Urge your senator to vote against Trumpcare and preserve critical funding for important public health initiatives.</p>				
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>I'm calling to urge <u>MySenator</u> to vote against Senate's senselessly cruel Affordable Care Act repeal bill. I'm particularly concerned that the bill would eliminate the Prevention and Public Health Fund, which provides essential funding for states to respond to epidemics and provide preventive services like immunizations. I hope the Senator does everything they can to preserve this critical funding source for public health programs.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and attention.</p> <p>[IF LEAVING A VOICEMAIL: please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied]</p>				

Call:	US Senators	House Rep	PA Senator	PA House Rep	
Issue:	Support: A Filibuster-by-Amendment to Block Trumpcare				
Why:	<p>While the Russia-Trump scandal has distracted the nation, Mitch McConnell and an all-male panel of 13 Republican Senators have been working in secret on a healthcare bill. Nobody knows what this bill looks like or how it differs from the House's American Health Care Act, which would cause an estimated 23 million people to lose their health insurance by 2026. The GOP wants to keep it that way.</p> <p>McConnell and Republican Senators intend to submit their secret healthcare bill to the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) without any committee hearings, discussions, bipartisan debate, or public comments. They will keep the bill's contents secret until the CBO finishes scoring the legislation. This means they would only release the bill publicly mere days or even hours before the final vote, which they plan to hold on or before June 30th (by contrast, Senate Democrats held over 30 Senate Finance Committee meetings to draft the Affordable Care Act and included their Republican colleagues in these meetings). This GOP strategy contravenes the spirit of our democratic process, and we must not stand for it.</p> <p>We can do something about this: Demand Democratic Senators block a final AHCA vote by introducing thousands of amendments during the reconciliation process, an approach known as filibustering by amendment. Further, we can urge Republican Senators to push their colleagues to draft their healthcare replacement openly and publicly. The American public deserves to know what is in their healthcare legislation, and the egregious behavior by the GOP must be stopped.</p>				
Script:	<p>Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a constituent from myTown.</p> <p>IF DEMOCRAT Rep: I'm calling today because I'm upset about the GOP's strategy to write and pass the American Health Care Act in secret, with no Senate hearings or public debate. I'm demanding that [SEN NAME] work with other Democrats to plan a filibuster by amendment during the reconciliation vote-a-rama on the AHCA and block the passage of this cruel bill. Your constituents are counting on you to fight for their healthcare.</p> <p>IF REPUBLICAN Rep: I'm calling today because I'm upset at the GOP's strategy to write and pass the American Health Care Act in secret, with no Senate hearings or public debate. I'm demanding that</p>				

[SEN NAME] urge their colleagues to hold hearings on this bill and stop bypassing our democratic process.

[OPTIONAL: Share a personal story of why the ACA is so important to you, your family, and / or your community]

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