



**AMERICANS FOR TAX REFORM**

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## **Taxpayer Group MAY RATE a Vote on Price Controls for Medicare Drugs**

Today, the U.S. House will be considering H.R. 4, a bill which would impose price controls on vital prescription medicines for America's seniors. The motivation that the liberal majority in Congress has to pursue this bill is mind-boggling. To date, two CBO directors, career Medicare actuaries, and the Secretary of HHS have said that no cost savings would result from this bill. In fact, the only person in America who thinks this bill will save anyone any money is Energy and Commerce Chairman John Dingell (D-MI), and he's no expert on actuarial analysis. Even worse for America's seniors, drug companies forced to lose money would simply choose to sell their vital medicines somewhere else, thus rationing pills for the elderly.

**The true colors of the new liberal majority have been revealed in this reckless debate—they are ideologically and intractably committed to imposing government price controls on health care. This is one large step in the direction of their ultimate goal, socialized medicine.**

Taxpayers have a vital interest in halting a creeping socialism in health care. Not only is H.R. 4 misguided and futile, it's downright dangerous. **ATR may rate a vote on final passage of H.R. 4.**

## **ATR URGES A VOTE AGAINST H.R. 4 AND FOR AMERICA'S SENIORS**