

Chairman and members of Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

It has been reported that the American Association of Retired Persons represents almost every person in Kansas over 50, the majority of senior citizens in Kansas. I doubt that is thru. I can certify to this committee that they do not represent me or my wife or my son all of whom have been solicited by AARP and we have denied they represent us. All of my neighbors and acquaintances that I have asked have also denied that AARP represent their interest.

I will tell you why.

In my view, AARP Represents their personal and corporate interest in a tax exempt organization which should not be exempted from paying tax because they are in fact a highly profitable insurance organization using a loop hole in the tax law to circumvent paying taxes.

They have supported the President's plan to socialize the health care industry to the detriment of seniors, not for the benefit of seniors.

They supported the Presidents transfer of \$500 million from the Medicare program to Medicaid. Directly as a result of huge transfer two of our Medicare specialists have notified us they will no long provide health care to us. One is my long time Urologists and the other is my wife's Rheumatologists.

We are seeing a decline is our health care because AARP supported the Presidents takeover of senior's health.

We strong urge this committee to discredit any claim that AARP represents the best interests of seniors.

I do support the Health Care Compact. The State of Kansas is dedicated to stop Obamacare from being implemented. The Health Care Compact, a viable alternative to Obamacare allowing the regulation of Health care to be a State function and not Federal Government.

Thank you  
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Senate Financial Institutions and  
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