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Commissioner Mike Chaney issues statement on passage of Republican Healthcare Bill in House of Representatives

“The Republican health care bill to overhaul the Affordable Care Act has received approval in the U. S House of Representatives. This action is a first step forward in bringing significant changes to consumer health care and health care insurance, and returning more regulatory authority to the states.

Many innovations in the bill are designed to help stabilize health care costs. These include new tax credits, elimination of the individual mandate, access to expanded health savings accounts, more state innovation and an amendment addressing pre-existing conditions.

Mississippians will have the option of having new, flexible healthcare plans and more choices of health care providers.

I have just returned from Washington, D.C. where I met with our Congressional delegation and White House officials. In speaking with Health and Human Services Secretary Tom Price, he assured me and other commissioners that the administration is aware of the problems facing states like Mississippi who have just one or no carriers on the Federal Marketplace. I am confident we are all working to provide the best healthcare coverage for all Mississippians.”