

House passes bill to delay health care subsidies

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The House has passed another bill opposing President Barack Obama's health care law.

The bill would ban new subsidies to help buy <u>health insurance</u> until the Obama administration creates a new verification system to ensure they only go to those who are eligible.

The bill has no chance in the Democrat-controlled Senate. Democrats say it would unnecessarily delay subsidies set to start next year.

Under the law, many low- and middle-income families that don't get health insurance through work will be able to get subsidies to help buy insurance through state-based exchanges. Eligibility is based on income.

Republicans say there aren't enough safeguards to prevent fraud. Democrats say income information will be checked against tax, Social Security and credit records.

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