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Limiting state provider taxes would save \$668 billion but would mean an additional 3.9 million uninsured people by 2034.

The analysis, requested by Rep. Frank Pallone Jr. (D-N.J.) and Sen. [Ron Wyden](#) (D-Ore.), shows the trade-offs facing Republicans as they try to pay for their party-line bill, which among other provisions would fund an extension of Trump's 2017 tax cuts.





A previous CBO analysis showed that number was not achievable over the next decade without cutting Medicaid.

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CBO's Wednesday report examined five of the Medicaid options Republicans have floated for the bill: eliminating the enhanced federal match for Medicaid expansion states, limiting state taxes on providers, capping federal Medicaid spending for the entire Medicaid





But the number of uninsured would likely be larger in practice; the CBO assumed that states would pick up the costs of 60 percent of the beneficiaries who lose federal funding, but most experts think states would not spend their own money.

Similarly, the CBO on Wednesday assumed states would replace about half the federal cuts, which would lead to reduced payments to providers, limiting benefits, cutting Medicaid enrollment or raising taxes and cutting programs such as K-12 education and public safety.

“Trump has repeatedly claimed Republicans are not cutting health care, but CBO’s independent analysis confirms the proposals under consideration will result in catastrophic benefit cuts and people losing their health care,” Pallone said in a statement.

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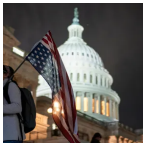
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