



# HEALTH CARE REPORT CARD: THOM TILLIS

Time and time again, Senator Tillis has failed to fight for North Carolina families. Even before the coronavirus pandemic left millions of North Carolinians facing unprecedented circumstances, Senator Tillis was in Washington siding with the drug companies and special interests, voting to take away our health care, and leaving his constituents to pay the price. That's why Piedmont Rising Action is working to defeat Tillis this November.

<b>PROTECT MEDICARE</b>	<b>F</b>	Senator Tillis has voted six times to slash Medicare's budget by nearly \$500 billion, <sup>1</sup> putting the health care that 1.9 million North Carolinians <sup>2</sup> rely on at risk each time.
<b>PROTECT HEALTH CARE COVERAGE FOR PEOPLE WITH PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS</b>	<b>F</b>	Senator Tillis has voted at least seven times <sup>3</sup> to repeal the Affordable Care Act. Each time, he voted to repeal access to health care from over 600,000 North Carolinians. <sup>4</sup>
<b>MAKE HEALTH CARE AFFORDABLE BY LOWERING PREMIUMS AND DEDUCTIBLES</b>	<b>F</b>	Each time Senator Tillis has voted to repeal the ACA, he voted to allow insurance companies to stop covering essential health benefits, <sup>5</sup> and increase deductibles, <sup>6</sup> and impose annual and lifetime limits on care. <sup>7</sup>
<b>STOP THE SKYROCKETING COST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS</b>	<b>F</b>	In addition to voting to allow insurance companies to stop covering prescription drugs entirely, <sup>5</sup> Senator Tillis has also refused to support the Lower Drug Costs Now Act, which could lower drug costs for millions of North Carolinians. <sup>8</sup>
<b>FIGHT FOR NORTH CAROLINIANS DURING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC</b>	<b>F</b>	Senator Tillis voted against extended paid leave <sup>9</sup> and has refused to support a full extension of the \$600 federal unemployment assistance. <sup>10</sup> While a bill that would extend UI, provide more relief checks and fund testing has stalled in the Senate, <sup>11</sup> Tillis has done nothing.

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