Coffman Statement on Votes to Repeal Health Care Slush Funds

(WASHINGTON) – Congressman Mike Coffman (R-CO) released the following statement today after voting to defund two new programs created through the recent health care reform law:

"I voted to defund two critical parts of Obamacare because we cannot afford to hand the Administration blank checks to be spent on the implementation of this misguided attempt at a government-controlled takeover of our health care system" Coffman said. "Our nation is drowning in red ink and today's vote is a step toward fiscal sanity."

On Monday, the U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 1213, which would repeal the unlimited spending power that the health care law provides states for federally mandated insurance exchanges, and would save taxpayers $14 billion over the next ten years. Today the House passed H.R. 1214, which would stop funding the construction of school-based health centers and save an estimated $100 million in 2012-2016.

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