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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representatives:

The National Association of Manufacturers (NAM), the largest manufacturing association in the United States, representing manufacturers in every industrial sector and in all 50 states, urges you to support amendment 271, to repeal major provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to H.R. 1628, the American Health Care Act, offered by Senator Rand Paul (R-KY).

This amendment takes an important step towards repealing the taxes resulting from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. Manufacturers strongly support repeal of the medical device tax, the 3.8 percent net investment tax, the health insurance tax, the pharmaceutical tax and the Cadillac tax included in the amendment. These critical changes will help manufacturers continue to provide quality health care to their employees by containing rising health care costs and providing much-needed predictability.

Manufacturers historically have led the business community in providing health benefits to their employees and are committed to continuing this tradition in the future. Amendment 271 takes a significant step towards reducing excessive taxes to ensure that manufacturers can continue to provide these benefits.

The NAM's Key Vote Advisory Committee has indicated that votes on H.R. 1628, including procedural motions, may be considered for designation as Key Manufacturing Votes in the 115th Congress.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Aric Newhouse'.

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Key Manufacturing Vote