

# **RELEASE: Chairman Lamm Blasts Tester's Support for Single-Payer Health Care**

HELENA, MONT. – Chairman Debra Lamm released the following statement today on Senator Tester's support for a single-payer health care system:

*“Senator Tester’s call for a single-payer health care system would be an absolute disaster for Montana families. As if Obamacare wasn’t bad enough, this would mean a complete government takeover of our health care industry. The result would be even higher premiums, rationed care, long wait times, and massive tax increases. This is socialized medicine and it does not represent our Montana values. Montanans will remember the tremendous burden Tester wants to place on our families with his support for single payer health care.”*

**Background:**

**The Hill: Centrist Dem: Maybe we should look at single-payer health care**

Sen Jon. Tester (D-Mont.) on Wednesday said Congress should perhaps take a “solid look” at a single-payer health care system.

Tester's comments during a bipartisan hearing of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee come at a time when more Democrats are getting on board with the idea of government-funded health care.

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