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## Congressman Raul M. Grijalva Statement on Public Option

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Tucson, AZ---Congressman Raúl M. Grijalva, co-chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus issues the following statement concerning the public option in the upcoming health care reform legislation:

"The public option is central to healthcare reform. Real reform, which lowers costs and ensures all Americans get the quality, affordable healthcare that they deserve, cannot be accomplished without a robust public option. As we have stated repeatedly for months now, a majority of the members of the Congressional Progressive Caucus will oppose any healthcare reform legislation that does not include a robust public option. Our position has not, and will not, change. As Co-Chair of the Progressive Caucus, I look forward to working with my colleagues to develop comprehensive legislation that allows all Americans to choose the healthcare plan that's right for them and their families. But I will not support any bill that does not include a public option."