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SCHAKOWSKY: ALLOW MEDICARE TO NEGOTIATE LOWER PRICES

WASHINGTON, D.C.—U.S. Rep. Jan Schakowsky today spoke on the floor in support of H.R. 4, the Me

Mr. Speaker, it is a delight to see you in the chair.

I rise in strong support of H.R. 4, the Medicare Prescription Drug Price Negotiation Act, to require Me

In 2003 the pharmaceutical industry spent over \$100 million to lobby Congress, hiring the equivalent o

As the New York Times reported this past November: ``For big drug companies, the new Medicare pre

One of the main reasons for the drug company windfall is the so-called ``noninterference" clause, the p

Just think about it for a minute: Medicare is involved in making sure that prices are reasonable and a

Other large purchasers, from the VA to State governments to large employers, use their bargaining clo

This week, Families USA released a study showing that part D prices for the top 20 drugs used by sen

AARP, which operates a part D plan and supported the original bill, wrote to support this bill saying "pl

In the first 6 months of part D's implementation, drug company profits increased \$8 billion. It is time to