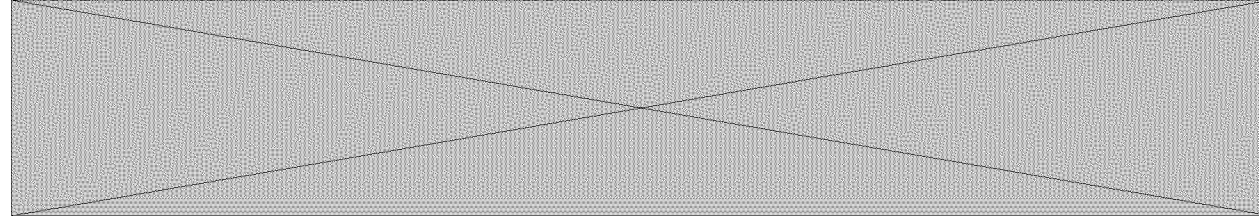


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It's still mission impossible for the Republican health bill

James C. Capretta | Real Clear Health

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell did the seemingly impossible on Monday and got the votes he needed to proceed on consideration of the House plan for repealing and replacing Obamacare. At this point, it's hard to tell what will happen in the coming days, but the scene looks troubling. The problem for Senate Republicans is that their principal goal is incompatible with the process they are using to pass the legislation.

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The left denies the role of marriage in escaping poverty

W. Bradford Wilcox | City Journal

For today's progressives, marriage doesn't matter when it comes to fighting poverty. In a column titled "No, young people aren't poor because they're not married," Melissa Boteach and Anusha Ravi of the Center for American Progress argue that "[two] poor people getting married does not make anyone less poor." Their underlying assumption is that marriage is irrelevant to poverty simply because it's not a panacea.

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The collapse of the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria ought to pull away the shroud of post-9/11 confusion that has occluded the strategic vision of the United States and the West in general. By abstracting out a war on terror from the larger struggle for Middle East power, we have paralyzed ourselves into a kind of short-range target obsession. In doing so, we violate Clausewitz's first dictum: to understand the nature of the conflict.

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Conservatives need a goal. It should be universal coverage.

Michael R. Strain | *Bloomberg View*

The Affordable Care Act is in bad shape, with premiums increasing at an alarming rate, insurers leaving the exchanges, and a new

administration much less willing to prop it up. We aren't in a "death spiral," but some action will be needed, especially given the progress made on Capitol Hill this week. But Republicans don't seem to know what they want to achieve — other than being able to say that they repealed Obamacare.

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