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## **Gov. Nikki Haley: House GOP fighting to protect S.C. from fiscal disaster of Medicaid expansion**

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – Governor Nikki Haley today released the following statement regarding Medicaid expansion under ObamaCare:

"I want to thank House Speaker Bobby Harrell, House Ways and Means Chairman Brian White, State Rep. Murrell Smith, Chairman of the budget subcommittee on health care, and the House Republican Caucus for fighting to protect South Carolina from the looming public policy nightmare and fiscal disaster that is ObamaCare's Medicaid expansion.

"If history has proven anything, it's that there is no such thing as a temporary entitlement program, and as House Republicans recognize, ObamaCare will be as bad a policy three years from now as it is today.

"I look forward to continuing to work with Director Tony Keck and members of the General Assembly - who understand that simply giving people a Medicaid card doesn't make them healthy - on solving our state's health problems and delivering the most health for the least cost to all South Carolinians in the weeks, months, and years ahead."

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