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Dear Marlin Haws,

Today the Utah Senate passed SB 96, the bill that scales back Proposition 3 and could very likely lead to it being repealed completely. Please contact your Representative and ask her or him to support HB 210, sponsored by Rep. Ray Ward, as a positive alternative. If you do not know who represents you in the Utah House of Representative you can find out by typing in your address and zip code on [this page](#) of the legislative website.

Last week, on Thursday, over 100 people went to the Capitol for our Faith & Poverty Day and worked very hard to highlight this issue. Pictures and links to news coverage from this event can be found [here on the Crossroads Urban Center website](#). We are so grateful for everyone who came and participated, particularly our featured speakers, the Right Reverend James Gonia, Bishop of the Rocky Mountain Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and Rev. Joan Bell-Haynes, Executive Regional Minister, Central Rocky Mountain Region, Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ), USA and Canada, Rabbi Samuel L. Spector of Congregation Kol Ami, Salt Lake City Mayor, Jackie Biskupski and Senator Luz Escamilla.

The bill that passed in the Senate today is bad but whether or not it passes in the House we will need to stay engaged until we ensure that basic healthcare is not longer a luxury low income Utahns cannot afford.

Bill Tibbitts, Director
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We are very disappointed that the Utah Senate voted today for a bill that would put the healthcare of tens of thousands of Utahns at risk. We urge the members of the Utah House of Representatives to

support an alternative bill, HB 210, sponsored by Representative Ray Ward, which addresses long term fiscal concerns about Proposition 3 without delaying implementation or making ongoing benefits contingent upon our state receiving permission to ignore federal Medicaid rules.

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