

Washington, DC – Today Congressman Earl Blumenauer (D-Ore) announced his co-sponsorship of the Healthy Americans Act. A member of the Ways and Means Committee, which has jurisdiction over the bill, Congressman Blumenauer joins Congressman Brian Baird (D-WA) and Congresswoman Jo Ann Emerson (R-MO) in leading the House version of the Healthy Americans Act, S.334, introduced in late 2006 by Senator Ron Wyden (D-Ore).

“The time has come to fix the health care system, and the Healthy Americans Act guarantees affordable insurance for every American,” said Congressman Blumenauer. “I am committed to working with my colleagues on Ways and Means to ensure our tax code reflects our health care priorities. The legislation not only has bipartisan support but bicameral support, and I am proud to cosponsor a bill that takes our country’s health care policy in a new direction by ensuring that everyone gets the coverage they deserve.”

Congressman Blumenauer is a member of the Ways and Means Committee, Budget Committee and new Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming. Congressman Blumenauer has been committed to incorporating prevention and wellness programs into the health care system to provide more comprehensive care for all Americans.