

# Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address November 1, 2013

## “ACA Premiums”

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Hello, this is your Congressman Michael Burgess. You know since the Affordable Care Act was passed back in 2010, those of us on the Energy and Commerce Committee have repeatedly questioned officials from the administration. I was told, time and time again, by all of these officials that the President’s health care law would definitely be ready to go live on October 1<sup>st</sup> of this year.

Despite the array of public and private meetings with officials from a range of agencies who are involved in implementing the President’s health care law, I still do not have the answers to questions about the law’s basic functionality.

I think we can all agree that we have a health care system that is in need of some improvement. Most Americans find health care costs too high, but I can tell you this—the Affordable Care Act will not lower your health insurance premiums. In fact Americans have been shielded from the actual cost of the care that they will receive. You know not enough healthy people have signed up for the President’s health care law, and this is going to cause premiums to increase. This will continue to affect appropriate patient billing, and physician reimbursement will hardly be fair, and better medical services are not going to follow.

I’m tired of officials from the administration and the President himself actively misrepresenting the Affordable Care Act to the American people. It’s riddled with broken promises. People will lose their plans. Insurance prices will dramatically increase. You know and it’s time that the administration admits its mistake and begins to give us some clear answers.

Thank you for taking the time to listen. For more information about this issue and other issues before the United States Congress, please visit my website at [burgess.house.gov](http://burgess.house.gov). May God bless you and your family, and as always, may God bless Texas.