

Right now, the chief political issue before the US Congress is health care "reform". A look at how that is playing out is revealing of the scam that the Republicans and Democrats (Republicrats) perpetuate. When Bill Clinton was pushing NAFTA through the Senate, and there was a lot of popular opposition, several Democratic senators told him that they were voting against it, but if their votes were needed to pass it, then they'd vote for it.

Now, we see the same scam with health care "reform". All the "players" have been "invited to the table", meaning their influence and input is invited. This includes the insurance companies. Inviting them to participate in deciding how to reform the system is like inviting the narco-trafficantes to help decide how to stop the flow of drugs. The only even partial solution would be to eliminate private insurance, make the whole system a giant Medicare-type system - "single payer" in other words. But this eliminates a huge source of profits, so it's off the table.

Polls show that the overwhelming majority of Americans support this. So this is where the scam comes in, the bait and switch.

Take Henry Waxman, Democratic congressman from California. An influential senior congressman, he supported HR 676, the single payer system bill in the House of Representatives for years. But this was when the Republicans really ran the show and Bush was president. Now, when the Democrats are in charge, and health care "reform" is on the agenda, this influential Democrat has removed his name from the bill.

Even more to the point, consider Obama: In 2003, he said he supported single-payer. Now, he has been central to ensuring that this is not an option to be considered in the legislation.

The more things change, the more they remain the same.