

THREE KINDS OF DEMOCRATS REVEALED

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The vote on the Obamacare law in March 2010 revealed three kinds of Democrats holding elected federal office in Washington, D.C.

The first group of Democrats were those who voted against Obamacare. Over thirty Democrats in the House of Representatives joined the Republicans to vote against Obamacare.

I have not met and interviewed all these Democrats, but I suspect that many of them did not like the strong arm tactics and lack of candor by Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi. Remember that Pelosi told members of the House that they could learn what was in the Obamacare bill after they voted for it.

In a March 2014 interview with Marni Jameson of the Orlando Sentinel, former Democratic congressman from the Pittsburgh area Jason Altmire said, "My district in western Pennsylvania had more Medicare Advantage recipients than any district in the country, and the fewest number of uninsured. Because the law would take away from my constituents to give to other folks, it was very unpopular. I needed to represent my district."

For several months, different versions of Obamacare bills were offered and discussed. The final version of over 2,000 pages was not given enough time for any congressman to read it much less hear what the voters thought of it. But, over thirty Democrats knew enough about the Obamacare bill that they knew they did not want to vote for it.

The second group of Democrats were in an inner circle who knew that there were things in the final version of the Obamacare bill that had not been in previous versions of the bill. These were the Democrats like Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid who pushed for a vote without allowing enough time for senators and representatives to read and check the final version before casting a vote.

Why was there a rush to vote for an unread bill? Why was there a hurry to vote on the bill before the public could check it and let their opinions be known to their elected representatives? Because there were new portions added to the final version to please certain special interests groups, their favorite lobbyists, and their favorite politicians. If time were allowed for the senators and representatives and the voters to read the final bill, the special interest sections of the Obamacare bill would have been discovered and exposed. A group of Democrats wanted to trick other Democrats into voting for the bill.

Even Barack Obama was part of the secret back room deals. The June 11, 2012 edition of the Wall Street Journal reported that Obama made a secret deal with major prescription drug makers to add special language in the Obamacare law that would boost

their profits and cost the general public billions of dollars more for prescription drugs. I believe that the additional costs for drugs under this secret deal hit senior citizens especially hard in their wallets.

The third group of Democrats were those who voted for the Obamacare bill without even bothering to insist that the final version be read. That was simply “blind” voting. That was totally irresponsible.

Some of them have started complaining that Obama was not honest with them. Democratic congressman Kurt Schrader of Oregon has said that Obama was “grossly misleading” about Obamacare. Former Democratic senator from Nebraska Bob Kerrey was quoted by the Daily Mail and other publications as saying of Obama, “he [Obama] had to know he was misleading the audience.”

But, aren't these excuse making Democrats shirking their responsibility to examine any proposed law before voting for or against it? Don't they bear responsibility for their actions? If they were irresponsible once, isn't it likely that they will be irresponsible again?

These Democrats took an oath to protect our constitution and our constitutional rights, but didn't even bother to insist that a bill be read before a vote was taken. That is like signing a major contract without even reading it.

These Democrats are immature and irresponsible. They went to Washington to wine and dine with lobbyists instead of taking care of the serious business of government.

If they had insisted that enough time be allowed to read and discuss the bill, to hear what various experts said about the bill, and to hear what the public had to say about the bill, and then voted for it, that would have been a responsible course of action. They should vote their conscience after studying a bill. But, they should not vote blindly on a bill.

A leopard is unable to change its spots. The Democrats who were part of the inner circle of deceivers mislead other Members of Congress and the public and never should be trusted again. The Democrats who voted for Obamacare without reading it first proved that they are irresponsible. How can any reasonable person trust either a deceiver or an irresponsible person with any government power ever again?

You can trust the Democrats who voted against Obamacare to take their duties seriously and do the best that they can even if you sometimes disagree with their conclusions. But, the Democrats who voted for Obamacare should not be trusted.

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