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In states that have a guarantee issue for medigap plans, the premiums are usually much much higher. In Oregon, plan G costs around \$167 a month. In Connecticut, a guarantee issue state, it costs \$300-\$800 per month. The cost would be prohibitive to almost everyone, especially to those who are lower income. How is this beneficial? What will you tell the seniors that are going to be facing financial hardship because of this bill? How will you protect them? Instead, let's do a better job educating seniors before they become eligible for Medicare so they can better choose the plan they want. Thank you.