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Washington, D.C.—Today, Congressman Duncan Hunter made the following statement regarding the Supreme Court’s decision to uphold the President’s health care law:

“This ruling on the law’s constitutional validity doesn’t change the fact that it’s a bad law. Health care costs are still rising and now, assuming the law is not ultimately repealed by Congress, there will be new taxes and higher costs imposed on families and businesses. This law, with its expansive programs and cost burden, is not the right solution to the country’s health care challenges.

“Most interesting, the President told the American people that the individual mandate was not a tax. The Supreme Court, in its 5-4 judgment, determined it is, in fact, a tax. Whether viewed as a tax or a penalty, the individual mandate is an overreach of government authority and it will continue to underscore one of the many reasons why this law needs to be repealed.”