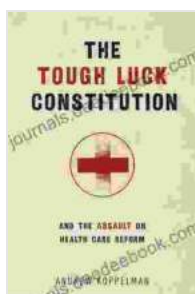


The Tough Luck Constitution and the Assault on Health Care Reform

The United States Constitution is a remarkable document that has served as the foundation of our nation for over two centuries. It is a testament to the wisdom of our Founding Fathers that the Constitution remains relevant and applicable today, even as our society has undergone profound changes. However, there are some aspects of the Constitution that can be difficult to apply to modern-day issues, such as the "tough luck" clause.

The tough luck clause is an unwritten provision of the Constitution that essentially states that the government is not obligated to provide for the welfare of its citizens. This clause has been cited in numerous Supreme Court cases to justify decisions that have denied government benefits to people in need. For example, in the case of Dandridge v. Williams (1970), the Supreme Court upheld a state law that limited welfare benefits to families with a maximum of four children. The Court ruled that the law was not unconstitutional, even though it meant that some families would not have enough money to meet their basic needs.



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The assault on health care reform is a serious threat to the health and well-being of millions of Americans. The tough luck clause is a convenient excuse for policymakers to ignore the needs of the most vulnerable among us. It is time for us to reject the tough luck clause and demand that our government provide for the welfare of all its citizens.

The History of the Tough Luck Clause

The tough luck clause has its roots in the English common law. In the early days of the American republic, the common law was often used to interpret the Constitution. As a result, the tough luck clause was incorporated into American law.

The tough luck clause was first cited by the Supreme Court in the case of *United States v. Cruikshank* (1876). In this case, the Court ruled that the federal government did not have the authority to protect the civil rights of African Americans. The Court reasoned that the tough luck clause prevented the government from interfering with the private affairs of individuals.

The tough luck clause has been cited in numerous Supreme Court cases since *Cruikshank*. In many of these cases, the Court has used the clause to justify decisions that have denied government benefits to people in need. For example, in the case of *Korematsu v. United States* (1944), the Court upheld the government's internment of Japanese Americans during World War II. The Court ruled that the internment was necessary for national security, even though it meant that thousands of innocent people were deprived of their liberty.

In recent years, the tough luck clause has been used to justify a wide range of policies that have made it more difficult for people to access affordable health care. For example, the Trump administration has repeatedly tried to repeal the Affordable Care Act, which provides health insurance to millions of Americans. The administration has also made it more difficult for people to enroll in Medicaid, a government health insurance program for low-income Americans.

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The Affordable Care Act has been a major success. Since the law was enacted in 2010, the number of uninsured Americans has dropped by millions. The law has also made health insurance more affordable for many

people. The Affordable Care Act is not perfect, but it is a significant improvement over the previous system.

The Trump administration's efforts to repeal the Affordable Care Act are motivated by ideology, not by facts. The administration claims that the Affordable Care Act is too expensive and that it is hurting the economy. However, these claims are not supported by the evidence. The Affordable Care Act is actually saving money, and it is helping to create jobs.

The Trump administration's efforts to repeal the Affordable Care Act are a threat to the health and well-being of millions of Americans. The Affordable Care Act is a vital part of our health care system, and it must be protected.

The Need for a New Social Contract

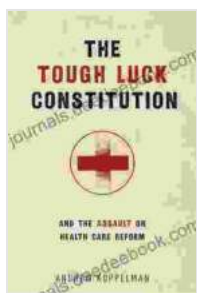
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We need a new social contract that guarantees everyone in our country access to affordable health care, education, and other basic necessities. We need a social contract that ensures that everyone has a fair shot at success.

We can build a better future for ourselves and our children. But we need to start by rejecting the tough luck clause and demanding that our government put people first.

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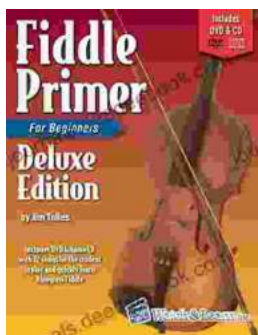


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