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(Neb.)-Nebraska Democrat Becomes Target Of Ad Campaign



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OMAHA, Nebraska (AP) - Sen. Ben Nelson is being targeted in a mailing and Internet ad campaign asking people to withhold their political contributions to him and other members of Congress.

The campaign takes issue with the Nebraska Democrat's opposition to President Barack Obama's proposed public health-insurance option. That option would create a government insurance plan to compete with private plans.

The campaign begun Thursday is run by Change Congress, an organization started last year that advocates publicly funding federal campaign elections. The idea is to lessen the influence of special-interest money in campaigns.

The group says Nelson has accepted some \$2 million from health-care interests in his federal campaigns since the mid-1990s.

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