# The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 Democrats Deliver Lower Costs for Families

### HOW ALABAMA BENEFITS

The Inflation Reduction Act will reduce health care and prescription drug costs for Alabama seniors, people with disabilities and families.



Making Approved Vaccines Free Starting in 2023 Ensures approved vaccines under

Medicare Part D are free, helping nearly 48,300 Alabamians.<sup>1</sup>



#### Lowering Insulin Copays Starting in 2023

Reduces Medicare copays to a maximum of \$35 per month, lowering insulin costs for nearly 31,500 Alabamians.<sup>2</sup>



Reducing Health Care Premiums Starting in 2023 Lowers Marketplace premiums for roughly 209,000 Alabamians by hundreds of dollars per person, on average, in 2023.<sup>3</sup>

#### Helping Low-Income Americans Starting in 2024

Increases financial assistance to nearly 11,600 low-income Alabamians to help them afford their prescription medications.<sup>4</sup>

#### Capping Out-of-Pocket Costs

Starting in 2025

Caps prescription drug costs at \$2,000 a year for over 812,200 Alabamians with Medicare Part D<sup>5</sup> – giving the nearly 21,900 Alabamians who will exceed this limit the help they need.<sup>6</sup>

#### Lowering Prescription Drug Prices Through Negotiation

#### Starting in 2026

Beginning in 2026, Medicare-negotiated prescription drug prices will go into effect, reducing costs for certain high-cost drugs and out-of-pocket costs for seniors and people with disabilities.<sup>7</sup>



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