

Club For Growth Dislikes Boehner's Plan To Delay Obamacare Individual Mandate

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The deep-pocketed conservative group Club For Growth issued a statement Thursday critical of House Speaker John Boehner's (R-OH) plan to hold a vote to delay Obamacare's individual mandate for one year.

"Instead of voting to delay implementation of both the individual and employer mandates in ObamaCare, Congress should defund and repeal ObamaCare entirely," said Club for Growth's president Chris Chocola. "Senator Ted Cruz has introduced a bill to completely defund ObamaCare. Congress should pass Cruz's bill."

The Club's skepticism is shared by other prominent anti-Obamacare advocates, including RedState's Erick Erickson, Heritage Action and Cato Institute health policy director Michael Cannon. They say the plan is flawed and insist Republicans should stay focused on the larger goal of fully unwinding the health care law.

"Why delay, when we should repeal?" Chocola said. "ObamaCare is an awful, anti-growth law today, it will be bad tomorrow, and it will certainly still be bad a year from now."