

**STATEMENT BY SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY ON PRESIDENT BUSH'S  
HEALTHCARE PROPOSALS**

Washington, D.C. – Today, Senator Edward M. Kennedy released the following statement:

“I’m pleased the President is finally talking about the growing crisis in health care, however I am concerned that taxing health benefits may undermine the good coverage that many Americans already have, while inadequate credits will do little to make health care more affordable for those who are struggling to pay their premiums now. Americans need real solutions and effective action, so that quality affordable health care can be a reality for all, just as it is for the President and members of Congress. The bold health plans in Massachusetts, California, and other states have shown that when all sides work together, there is no limit to what we can accomplish.