

# Double Threat for Texas Hospitals: Federal Payment Cuts and Millions of Uninsured



The Texas Hospital Association strongly opposes any additional legislative or regulatory cuts to payments for Texas hospitals and calls for the elimination of any additional funding cuts contained in the Affordable Care Act. **Funding cuts are incompatible with providing the highest quality of care to all Texans.**

Since 2010, Texas hospitals already have sustained more than \$22 billion in federal Medicare funding cuts. Going forward, these **Medicare cuts will balloon to \$36 billion from 2023 to 2032.**

Many of these cuts are part of the Affordable Care Act, and these cuts were imposed in exchange for reducing the number of uninsured Texans and hospitals' uncompensated care costs. However, these outcomes have not materialized in Texas where **over 5.2 million Texans and growing have no health insurance.**

The magnitude of the funding cuts coupled with hospitals' obligation to care for the uninsured threatens to undermine all Texas hospitals' ability to:

- Invest in quality improvement and patient safety.
- Provide care for underserved populations.
- Conduct research and innovate.
- Recruit and retain the best health care workforce.



BY 2032, CUTS WILL TOTAL **\$36 BILLION** FOR TEXAS.

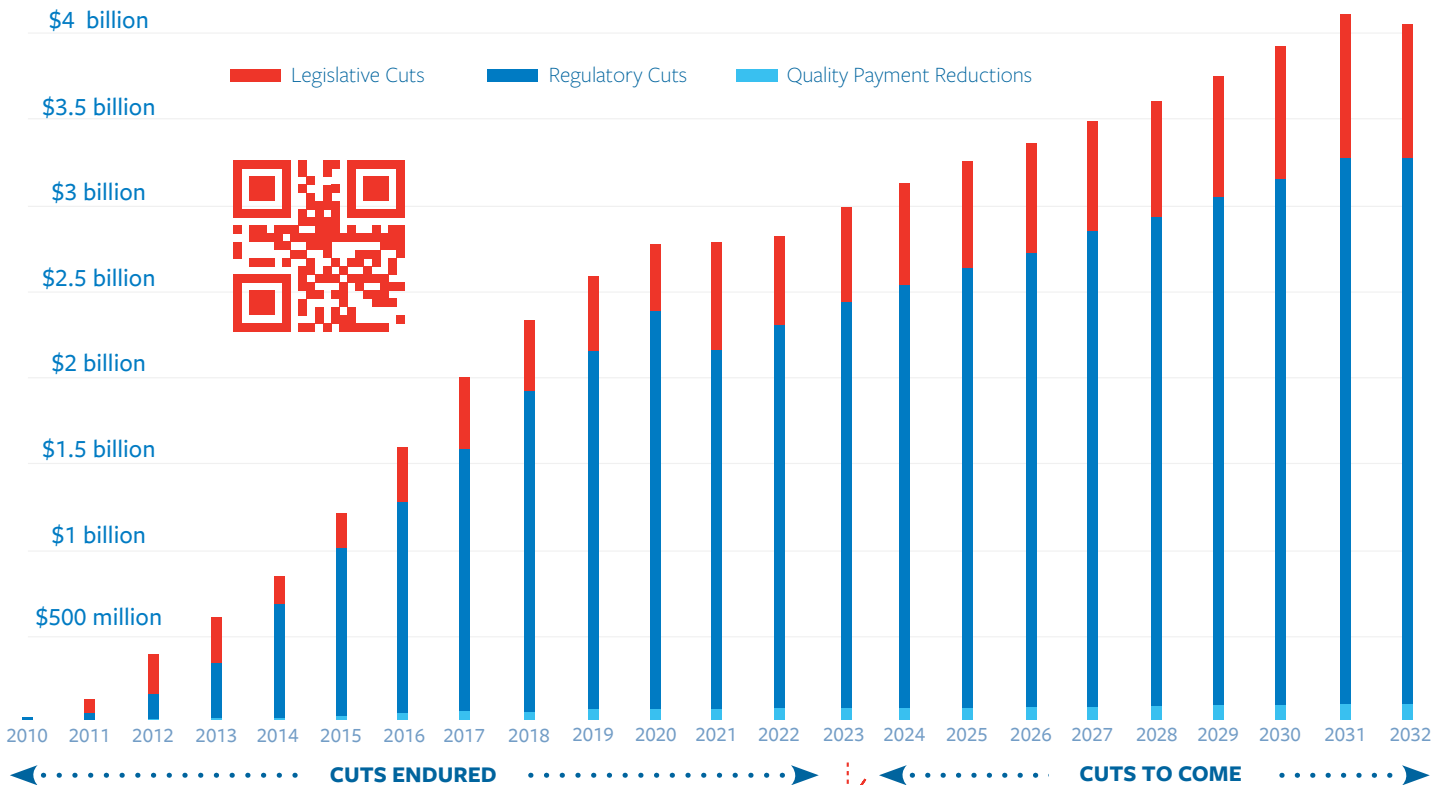
## Cuts Endured

Since 2010, Texas has endured more than \$22 billion in cuts and payment reductions.

## Cuts to Come

Going forward, for 2023 to 2032, Texas is expected to endure another \$14 billion in cuts and reductions, for a grand total of **\$36 billion.**

### ACA & Medicare Funding Cuts, 2010-2032



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