

Medical device tax: Repeal on the minds of candidates vying for Lugar's Indiana Senate seat

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The medical device tax makes an appearance in the hotly contested Indiana Senate race to replace Sen. Richard Lugar (R-IN), with candidates Rep. Joe Donnelly (D-Ind.) and GOP counterpart Indiana state treasurer Richard Mourdock each touting their endorsement of the medtech industry.



Regardless of who wins the hotly contested Senate race in Indiana, it looks like the new lawmaker will be a vote for repeal of the medical device tax in the Upper House.

During a debate this week candidates Rep. Joe Donnelly (D-Ind.) and GOP counterpart Indiana state treasurer Richard Mourdock, a Tea Party candidate who edged out Sen. Richard Lugar in the GOP primary this fall, both claimed the mantle of opposition to the 2.3% medical device tax.

Murdock credited Donnelly with being opposed to the excise tax, which is slated to take effect in January, but said that the Congressman has eroded his position by casting 2 votes in favor of the Affordable Care Act.

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