

Introduced by

Representatives Kasper, Ruby, Thoreson

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1 A concurrent resolution to create and enact a new section to article XI of the Constitution of
2 North Dakota, relating to freedom of choice in health care.

3 **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

4 This measure would prohibit laws that restrict an individual's choice of private health care
5 systems or private plans; interfere with a person's right to pay for lawful medical services; or
6 impose a penalty or fine for choosing to obtain or decline health care coverage or for
7 participation in any health care system or plan.

8 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE**
9 **SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

10 That the following proposed new section to article XI of the Constitution of North Dakota
11 is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the general
12 election to be held in 2010, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of
13 North Dakota.

14 **SECTION 1.** A new section to article XI of the Constitution of North Dakota is created
15 and enacted as follows:

16 The legislative assembly may not enact a law that restricts an individual's freedom of
17 choice of private health care systems or private plans of any type; a law that interferes with a
18 person's right to pay directly for lawful medical services; or a law that imposes a penalty or fine
19 of any type for choosing to obtain or decline health care coverage or for participation in any
20 particular health care system or plan.