

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT FULL TEXT

Ballot Title:

Single Payer Health Care

Ballot Summary:

All persons shall have a right to comprehensive health care services from the health care provider of their choice in a single payer health care system.

Article and Section Being Created or Amended:

Article I, Section 26

Full Text of the Proposed Amendment:

Section 26. Single Payer Health Care –

(A) By General Law the Legislature shall prescribe and thereafter enact single payer health care, which in clear and concise language shall set forth the right of all persons to comprehensive health care services from a health care provider of that person's choice.

(B) For the purpose of this Section.

(1) "Comprehensive health Care Services" means every person is entitled to receive benefits for any covered service furnished in Florida by a health care provider, if the service is necessary for the maintenance of health: for diagnosis and treatment: and rehabilitation following injury, disability, and or disease;

(2) "Covered Service" shall include, but are not limited to the following: (a) Health Care Practitioner's services; (b) Hospital inpatient and outpatient services; (c) Ambulatory Surgical Services; (d) Prescription medications; (e) Laboratory and X-Ray Services; (f) Home Health Services; (g) Nursing Home Services; and (h) Hospice Services.

(3) "Covered Service" shall not include any of the following (a) Cosmetic surgery, which is not required by the physical injury or disease; (b) Medical examinations and reports conducted or prepared for purchasing life insurance.

(4) "Person" means any person who has manifested domicile in Florida by a sworn declaration under oath showing that the person resided in and maintains a place of abode in that Florida County, which is that person's primary and permanent residence.

(5) "Health care provider" means a participant, who or which is authorized to furnish covered services in the single payer health care system enacted by the Legislature. (6) "Single payer" means an entity, which has

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been prescribed and enacted by the Legislature pursuant to this Section, as the sole administrator, and the sole collector and the sole payer of funds for Comprehensive Health Care Services and its administration.

(C) If any portion of this Section is held invalid for any reason, the remaining portion of this Section, to the fullest extent possible, shall be served from the void portion and given the fullest possible force and application.

(D) This Section shall take effect on the January 1st next occurring after approval by vote of the electors.

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