To create section 27 of article I of the constitution; relating to: the right of the
people to contract privately for health care services and health care coverage
and prohibiting requiring a person to participate in a state-sponsored health
care system or plan (first consideration).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau
This proposed constitutional amendment, proposed to the 2007 legislature on
first consideration, provides that the people have the right to enter into private
contracts with health care providers for health care services and to purchase private
health care coverage, and prohibits enactment of any law that requires any person
to participate in any state-sponsored health care system or plan.
A constitutional amendment requires adoption by two successive legislatures,
and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That:

Section 1. Section 27 of article I of the constitution is created to read:

[Article I] Section 27 The people have the right to enter into private contracts
with health care providers for health care services and to purchase private health
care coverage. The legislature may not require any person to participate in any state-sponsored health care system or plan.

**SECTION 2. Numbering of new provision.** The new section 27 of article I of the constitution created in this joint resolution shall be designated by the next higher open whole section number in that article if, before the ratification by the people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, any other ratified amendment has created a section 27 of article I of the constitution of this state. If one or more joint resolutions create a section 27 of article I simultaneously with the ratification by the people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, the sections created shall be numbered and placed in a sequence so that the sections created by the joint resolution having the lowest enrolled joint resolution number have the numbers designated in that joint resolution and the sections created by the other joint resolutions have numbers that are in the same ascending order as are the numbers of the enrolled joint resolutions creating the sections.

**Be it further resolved, That** this proposed amendment be referred to the legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for 3 months previous to the time of holding such election.

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