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House Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 22 of Article III of the State Constitution to provide that a single-payor health care system may not be enacted by the legislature except through legislation approved by two-thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature and presented to the governor for approval.

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Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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That the following creation of Section 22 of Article III of the State Constitution is agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose:

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SECTION 22. Supermajority vote required to enact a single-payor health care system.—

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(a) SUPERMAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED TO ENACT SINGLE-PAYOR

HEALTH CARE SYSTEM. The legislature may not enact a singlepayor health care system for providing comprehensive health care
services except through legislation approved by two-thirds of

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the membership of each house of the legislature and presented to the governor for approval pursuant to Article III, Section 8.

(b) DEFINITIONS. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- (1) "Comprehensive health care services" means the full range of personal health services for diagnosis, treatment, continued care, and rehabilitation of patients.
- (2) "Single payor" means an entity that has been designated by the legislature as the sole administrator, collector, and payor of funds for comprehensive health care services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be placed on the ballot:

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ARTICLE III, SECTION 22

SUPERMAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED TO ENACT A SINGLE-PAYOR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM.—Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to prohibit the legislature from enacting a single-payor health care system for providing comprehensive health care services except through legislation approved by two-thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature.