

Insurance and Real Estate Committee,

I oppose the establishment of a government run health care system in CT. This legislation will kill CT jobs in the insurance industry and will mean the state is competing with private business. We already have private insurance plans, the insurance exchange and Medicaid so everyone can be insured who wants to be. Doing this will kill good paying jobs in Connecticut's health insurance industry, raise the cost of private and employer sponsored health plans, force people onto Medicaid, and force CT taxpayers to pay for the government run program's future losses.

This legislation is ill advised and will cost taxpayers millions of dollars.

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