
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 411—ASSEMBLYMEN GOEDHART;
GOICOECHEA, GRADY, HAMBRICK, HAMMOND, HANSEN,
HARDY, KIRNER, KITE, LIVERMORE, SHERWOOD AND
STEWART

MARCH 21, 2011

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS RHOADS AND SETTELMEYER

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Enacts the Freedom of Choice in Health Care Act.
(BDR 40-372)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to public health; enacting the Freedom of Choice
in Health Care Act to provide persons in this State with
certain choices concerning the manner in which to obtain
health care services; and providing other matters properly
relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 This bill enacts the Freedom of Choice in Health Care Act in the State of
 - 2 Nevada to provide that residents of this State have the right to enter into contracts
 - 3 with providers of health care directly to obtain health care services and to purchase
 - 4 private insurance to cover health services provided to the person. This bill also
 - 5 includes a pledge from the Legislature that it will not enact legislation which
 - 6 requires a person to participate in any health care system or plan or which imposes
 - 7 any type of penalty against a person for declining health care coverage or for
 - 8 participating in any particular health care system or plan.
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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** Chapter 439 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:
3 1. *This section may be cited as the Freedom of Choice in*
4 *Health Care Act.*
5 2. *A person in the State of Nevada has the right to enter into*
6 *private contracts with providers of health care for the provision of*
7 *health care services and to purchase private health care coverage.*
8 3. *The Legislature hereby pledges that it will not enact*
9 *legislation:*
10 (a) *Requiring a person to participate in any health care system*
11 *or plan; or*
12 (b) *That imposes a penalty or fine, of any type, for choosing to*
13 *obtain or decline health care coverage or for participating in any*
14 *particular health care system or plan.*
15 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

