
SUBSTITUTE SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 8409

State of Washington 61st Legislature 2010 Regular Session

By Senate Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senator Keiser)

READ FIRST TIME 01/29/10.

1 WHEREAS, The federal health reform bill has a broad scope and
2 content that will affect nearly all areas of health care including
3 insurance, public programs such as Medicaid and Medicare, long-term
4 care, public health efforts, and health care workforce planning; and

5 WHEREAS, The complexity and breadth of the health reform bill will
6 require strategic planning and extensive coordination to ensure timely
7 and efficient implementation; and

8 WHEREAS, Our state's executive branch must develop a strategic plan
9 and comprehensive implementation plan that identifies dedicated
10 resources, clear authority and accountability, a detailed timeline, a
11 critical path analysis, resource and analysis needs, and a
12 communication strategy; and

13 WHEREAS, The legislature has an interest in providing a public
14 forum for accountability of implementation efforts, timely
15 identification and resolution of critical policy issues necessary for
16 implementation, and identification of emerging issues that need
17 statutory changes;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Senate of the state of
19 Washington, the House of Representatives concurring, That a joint

1 select committee on health reform implementation is created
2 immediately; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint select committee on health
4 reform implementation shall be cochaired by the chairs of the health
5 committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and
6 leadership of the two largest caucuses in the Senate and the House of
7 Representatives shall each appoint two additional legislators to serve
8 on the joint select committee on health reform implementation; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the cochairs may direct the formation
10 of advisory committees, if desired, to focus on specific topic areas,
11 such as insurance regulation, access and expansion of public and
12 private programs, and workforce issues, and may invite interested
13 stakeholders and additional experts to advise the joint select
14 committee on health reform implementation; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all participation in the joint select
16 committee and any advisory committees is without compensation; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint select committee on health
18 reform implementation expires on or before June 30, 2014.

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