STATE OF WYOMING

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0009

Health care freedom-4.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Edmonds, Davison, Jaggi, Kroeker, McKim, Quarberg and Teeters

A BILL

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming 2 Constitution by creating a new section specifying that no 3 law shall compel participation in any health care system by 4 any person, employer or health care provider.

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6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING, 7 two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting 8 separately, concurring therein:

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Section 1. The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, Article 1, by creating a new Section 38 is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

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Article 1, Section 38. Right of free choice in health
 care.

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4 (a) No law, rule, or administrative decision shall 5 compel, directly, or indirectly, any person, employer or 6 health care provider to participate in any health care 7 system or penalize for nonparticipation except as provided 8 in article 10, section 4 of this Constitution. This 9 subsection shall not apply to prisoners and others in the 10 lawful custody or care of the state.

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(b) A person or employer may pay directly for lawful health care services without penalty or fine, and Wyoming health care providers may accept direct payment for lawful health care services without penalty or fine.

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17 Section 2. That the Secretary of State shall endorse
18 the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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The adoption of this amendment will expressly prohibit 1 2 government from mandating individuals or entities participate in any type of health care system or health 3 4 insurance plan or exchange. The amendment will prohibit 5 laws imposing fines, taxes or any other penalties upon an individual or entity for choosing to obtain or decline 6 health care coverage or to participate in any health care 7 system, plan or exchange, or to pay directly or receive 8 9 payment directly for health care services.

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