

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE
RESOLUTION 1019

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AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution rejecting privatized managed care and directing the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to create a state-based managed care system.

WHEREAS, approximately 200,000 Oklahomans will be newly eligible for Medicaid on July 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority has a proven track record of efficiency and physician and patient satisfaction; and

WHEREAS, Oklahomans are better suited than out-of-state, for-profit managed care organizations to create Oklahoma-based policy solutions and programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of elected and appointed officials to implement the will of the people in a fiscally responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, privatized managed care has already been attempted and failed in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, access to and quality of care have worsened under privatized managed care in other states; and

1 WHEREAS, evidence is scant and inconclusive to suggest
2 privatized managed care organizations outperform their public and
3 nonprofit counterparts; and

4 WHEREAS, privatized managed care creates budget uncertainty by
5 costing Oklahoma taxpayers millions of additional dollars as it has
6 in other states; and

7 WHEREAS, privatized managed care is particularly deleterious to
8 rural Oklahomans; and

9 WHEREAS, an Oklahoma-based and housed managed care system adds
10 value by keeping Oklahoma taxpayer dollars in the Oklahoma economy.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

13 THAT privatized managed care should be rejected as an
14 inefficient and failed health care model.

15 THAT the Oklahoma Health Care Authority is hereby directed to
16 create an Oklahoma-based managed care system that serves the needs
17 of all Oklahomans in an effective and fiscally responsible manner.
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