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HOUSE RESOLUTION 886

Sponsors: Representatives Collins, Burr, Moffitt, and Hager (Primary Sponsors).

For a complete list of Sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly Web Site.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

April 15, 2013

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE REPEAL OF PORTIONS OF
2 THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE HEALTH
3 CARE AND EDUCATION RECONCILIATION ACT.

4 Whereas, sections 9010 and 10905 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care
5 Act (P.L. 111-148) and section 1406 of the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act (P.L.
6 111-152) impose an unprecedented new tax on health insurance that numerous policy experts
7 agree will be passed on to individuals, working families, small employers, and senior citizens,
8 contradicting a primary goal of health reform by making care more expensive; and

9 Whereas, the health insurance tax will cause premiums on the individual market to
10 rise an average of \$2,150 for individuals and \$5,080 for families nationally over a 10-year
11 period; and

12 Whereas, the tax will impose a fee of \$400 on North Carolina families in 2016; and

13 Whereas, the health insurance tax will impact small employers over the next 10
14 years, reducing private sector jobs by 125,000, with 59% at small businesses, and potential
15 sales will be reduced by at least \$18 billion, 50% of which will come from small businesses;
16 and

17 Whereas, in the State of North Carolina, premiums for small employers will
18 increase by an average of \$500 per employee, and premiums for large employers will also
19 increase; and

20 Whereas, North Carolinians with a Medicare Advantage Plan would see an
21 increased cost in additional premiums and reduced benefits over 10 years; and

22 Whereas, an increase in North Carolina's Medicaid health plan would place pressure
23 on an already strained State budget, decreasing benefits and potentially creating coverage
24 disruption; and

25 Whereas, higher premiums are a disincentive for everyone to obtain insurance
26 coverage, particularly younger, healthier people who are likely to drop their policy if it
27 becomes too expensive, further eroding the risk pool and making coverage less affordable,
28 Now, therefore,

29 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

30 **SECTION 1.** That the House of Representatives strongly urges the United States
31 Congress to enact legislation to repeal the health insurance tax, sections 9010 and 10905 of the
32 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and section 1406 of the Health Care and Education
33 Reconciliation Act to make health care more affordable for working families, individuals, and
34 businesses.



1 **SECTION 2.** That the Principal Clerk send a certified copy of this resolution to the
2 President of the United States, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of
3 the United States House of Representatives, and the members of North Carolina's congressional
4 delegation.

5 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.