



97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

SC0014

Introduced 2/10/2011, by Sen. Michael Noland

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

ILCON Art. I, Sec. 25 new

Proposes to amend the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution to provide that the State shall enact on or before May 31, 2014 a plan for universal health care coverage for all persons. Effective upon being declared adopted.

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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION
2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
5 CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the
6 electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general
7 election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of
8 this resolution a proposition to add Section 25 to Article I of
9 the Illinois Constitution as follows:

10 ARTICLE I
11 BILL OF RIGHTS

12 (ILCON Art. I, Sec. 25 new)

13 SECTION 25. UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE COVERAGE

14 Health care is an essential safeguard of human life and
15 dignity, and there is an obligation for the State of Illinois
16 to ensure that every person is able to realize this fundamental
17 right. On or before May 31, 2014, the General Assembly by law
18 shall enact a plan for universal health care coverage that
19 permits everyone in Illinois to obtain decent health care on a
20 regular basis.

21 SCHEDULE

22 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being
23 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois

1 Constitutional Amendment Act.