

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Garcia

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to health insurance; creating s.  
3           624.24, F.S.; prohibiting a person from being  
4           compelled to purchase health insurance except under  
5           specified conditions; specifying that the act does not  
6           prohibit the collection of certain debts; providing an  
7           effective date.

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9   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11           Section 1. Section 624.24, Florida Statutes, is created to  
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13           624.24 Prohibition against requiring the purchase of health  
14   insurance; exceptions.-

15           (1) A person may not be compelled to purchase health  
16   insurance, except as a condition of:

17           (a) Public employment;

18           (b) Voluntary participation in a state or local benefit;

19           (c) Operating a dangerous instrumentality;

20           (d) Undertaking an occupation having a risk of occupational  
21   injury or illness;

22           (e) An order of child support; or

23           (f) Activity between private persons.

24           (2) This section does not prohibit the collection of debts  
25   lawfully incurred for health insurance.

26           Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.