

By Senator Garcia

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing March 23-29, 2015, as "Health Information Technology Week" in Florida.

WHEREAS, health information technology and management systems are recognized as essential tools for improving the quality of patient care, ensuring patient safety, eliminating duplicative tests and paperwork, and reducing health care costs, and

WHEREAS, health information technology makes complete and accurate health records immediately available to physicians and patients, and

WHEREAS, this state is committed to implementing health information technology, including the adoption of the use of electronic health records, which will help to reduce costs and improve quality while ensuring patient privacy, and

WHEREAS, aligning the use of electronic health records with other electronic reporting initiatives is critical to improving clinical outcomes, controlling costs, and expanding access to care, and

WHEREAS, since 2006, organizations across the country have united to support Health Information Technology Week to raise public awareness of the benefits of the implementation of health information technology, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That March 23-29, 2015, is recognized as "Health Information Technology Week" in Florida.

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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with
31 the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to the Healthcare
32 Information and Management Systems Society as a tangible token
33 of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.