

**House File 2 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act establishing the right to choose whether to purchase  
2 health care.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 1.19 Right to choose health care.

2 No law shall restrict a person's natural right and power to  
3 secure the blessings of liberty to choose private health care  
4 systems or private health care plans. No law shall interfere  
5 with the right of a person or entity to pay for lawful medical  
6 services to preserve life or health, and no law shall impose  
7 a penalty, tax, fee, or fine, of any type, for declining or  
8 failing to contract for health care coverage or for declining  
9 or failing to participate in any particular health care  
10 system or plan, except as required by a court of law where  
11 an individual or entity is a named party in a legal dispute.  
12 Nothing in this section shall be construed to expand, limit,  
13 or otherwise modify any determination of law regarding what  
14 constitutes lawful medical services within the state of Iowa.

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EXPLANATION

16 This bill establishes that the people of Iowa have the right  
17 to choose private health care systems or private health care  
18 plans and to purchase lawful medical services. In addition,  
19 no law shall impose a penalty, tax, fee, or fine on any person  
20 for declining or failing to participate in any particular  
21 health care system or plan. The bill shall not be construed to  
22 expand, limit, or otherwise modify any legal determination of  
23 what constitutes lawful medical services in Iowa.