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Medicaid Expansion in Virginia

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To: vamirc@mirc.virginia.gov

I respectfully request you to make all your votes and "lobbying" and speeches and even arm twisting be directed toward avoiding the expansion of Medicaid in Virginia. From all I have seen, Virginia medical physicians are voting with their "feet" to defeat such expansion of Virginia Medicaid by refusing to treat Medicaid patients. You cannot possibly see such results as in any helping the "poor" in Virginia receive healthcare, let alone better healthcare. If you have done your homework, you will already know that Virginia taxpayers will be left holding and paying the bills for any expanded Medicaid in future years.

What Virginia taxes do you want to raise in order to pay for those increased costs. When will Virginia and other states learn to avoid the federal government's strategies of bate and switch -- that is, they make it seem affordable in the early years while everyone is "looking," but know that later when no one is looking the costs to the state(s) rises significantly.

Why would you do anything to make Virginia's healthcare more expensive and reduced quality? If you see additional funds available in Virginia's future (that you would plan to fund expanded Medicaid), then why would you not make your best efforts to save those funds to increase the scholarships for healthcare professional students? All statistics I have seen point to the serious need for more healthcare professionals in the future, while students are avoiding healthcare studies because of the extremely high costs and because of the already huge paperwork burden imposed by the federal and state governments. You could take some constructive steps to help reduce that shortage problem if you will stop being committed to politically correct solutions that will bankrupt us at the federal and state levels?

Please keep Virginia from the pitfalls of expanded Medicaid!

Truly Yours,

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