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Comment - Those who have jobs and health benefits have no understanding of the plight of those who do not. The new jobs people are finding now pay much less and are less likely to carry health benefits. The Danes have been rated two years in a row as the happiest people in the world. We have been told by several Danish people that one reason is they have universal health care and don't have to worry about that expense. We are all paying now for the emergency room visits of people with advanced disease who have had no preventive care and no access to information about lifestyle changes that could improve their health. Why would Virginia give its share of healthcare money to other states? Please allow for the expansion of Medicaid benefits NOW so that people are not left scratching their heads over insurance plans they can't afford anyway or worrying about penalties. In the meantime yes, continue to study ways to make Medicaid more cost-effective.