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## Medicaid Expansion Will Keep Virginia Competitive for Business

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To: Members of the MIRC Commission <vamirc@mirc.virginia.gov>

Dear Members of the MIRC Commission,

Without Medicaid expansion, businesses and individuals will continue to subsidize the cost of care for those who can't afford it and get hit with federal taxes. Likewise, providers will be hit with cuts from Medicare already imbedded in Obamacare which Medicaid expansion was suppose to help offset.

So without Medicaid expansion, Virginians face a lose-lose situation. We'll pay additional federal taxes, see our health premiums increase to pay for the Medicare cuts to providers, and become a less competitive state for business as other states who do expand Medicaid coverage will have a benefit cost advantage which will make them more attractive to employers.

I agree that the system needs reform to address the overall cost and utilization of services. Medicaid expansion will keep us competitive and should be supported.

Sincerely,

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