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"Marketplace" Legislation Will Implement Obamacare and Government Takeover

(St. Paul/Minneapolis)—State legislators today announced their plans to implement the health insurance exchange that is key to the implementation of the federal health care reform law. The bill, HF 2290, authored by Rep. Joe Adkins, distances itself from the controversial exchange by never mentioning the word "exchange." However, other words within the bill, and statements by the author and two co-authors in today’s press conference make it clear that the bill will establish President Obama's health insurance exchange in Minnesota.

Twila Brase, president of Citizens' Council for Health Freedom, provides the following response to the legislation:

"We are disappointed to see state legislators introduce a bill to implement Obamacare's federal command and control center in the state of Minnesota. We are further disappointed with the extraordinary attempt of these legislators to disguise the federally-controlled health insurance exchange within the legislation. The word "exchange" is not even mentioned in the bill. The entire bill discusses a "marketplace" established by the government.

"This is deceptive to the Minnesota public. Apparently the authors want to keep the public in the dark about what they are trying to do. To maintain transparency and the public's trust, the authors should be clear that the bill implements the Obamacare health insurance exchange. Without the facts fully exposed there can be no honest public debate about the legislation."

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