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HHS Plans Legislative Usurpation

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The Obama administration has a plan to usurp the authority of State legislatures. While 11 states have embraced the federal command and control American Health Benefit Exchange required under Obamacare, states like Minnesota, Florida, Montana, Louisiana, and New Hampshire have refused to enact this federally-imposed lobster trap.

Federal officials threaten to establish a federal exchange if States refuse to build one. But Politico says the feds have no funds to do so. Thus, according to the Washington Post, the feds are planning to meet with State Department heads this month to discuss a proposal to bypass state legislators, allowing state departments to create the Exchange without any legislative authority. Of course, the administration does not call it usurpation. They call it a new partnership model.

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“Administration may give states second chance to avoid fully federally run insurance exchange,” Washington Post (Associated Press), August 23, 2011.

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