April 10, 2018

Iowa Follows Idaho’s Defiant Lead on ACA

When Idaho’s governor defied Obamacare by executive order, other states took note. Iowa legislators passed a bill to allow small employers to band together in association health plans that offer small-employer polices not compliant with the Affordable Care Act. It also allows the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation to work with Blue Cross and Blue Shield to sell non-compliant plans to its members.

The bill declares such policies to not be insurance and therefore not under state or federal regulation. State legislators are beginning to remember the 10th amendment, and their right and obligation to protect their constituents from federal overreach. What state will next?

“Iowa Bill Allowing Plans to Skirt Obama’s Affordable Care Mandates Sent to Governor Reynolds,” William Petroski and Tony Leys, The Des Moines Register, March 27, 2018: