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**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION  
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**State of Washington                      62nd Legislature                      2011 Regular Session**

**By        House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by  
Representatives Schmick, Cody, Hinkle, and Frockt)**

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1            WHEREAS, The patient protection and affordable care act became law  
2 on March 23, 2010, enacting broad changes to every element of the  
3 nation's health care system over the course of a four-year period; and  
4            WHEREAS, Through 2014, the federal government will be adopting  
5 numerous regulations to implement the patient protection and affordable  
6 care act that state policymakers will need to actively follow so that  
7 the state can develop the most appropriate response to the changes in  
8 the health care system for the people of the state of Washington; and  
9            WHEREAS, The patient protection and affordable care act raises many  
10 policy considerations that states will have to review prior to  
11 implementing the act, including the creation of a health benefit  
12 exchange, the expansion of medicaid, health insurance design, the  
13 development of a dynamic health care workforce, and the role of public  
14 health and prevention efforts; and  
15            WHEREAS, The joint select committee on health reform implementation  
16 was established in 2010 to provide a forum for public comment and  
17 expert advice on the development of Washington's response to the  
18 patient protection and affordable care act; and  
19            WHEREAS, The joint select committee on health reform implementation

1 expires on July 1, 2011, despite the need to continue to monitor  
2 changes to the health care system and the implementation activities of  
3 the executive branch;

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives of  
5 the state of Washington, the Senate concurring, That the joint select  
6 committee on health reform implementation continue its work; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the membership of the joint select  
8 committee on health reform implementation shall consist of the  
9 following: (1) The chairs of the health committees of the senate and  
10 the house of representatives; (2) two additional members of the senate,  
11 one each appointed by the leadership of the two largest caucuses in the  
12 senate; and (3) two additional members of the house of representatives,  
13 one each appointed by the leadership of the two largest caucuses in the  
14 house of representatives. The governor shall be invited to appoint, as  
15 a liaison to the joint select committee, a person who shall be a  
16 nonvoting member. The joint select committee shall select, from among  
17 the legislative members, one cochair from the senate and one cochair  
18 from the house of representatives who may not be from the same  
19 political caucus of the legislature; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the cochairs may direct the formation  
21 of advisory committees, if desired, to focus on specific topic areas,  
22 such as insurance regulation, access to and expansion of public and  
23 private programs, cost containment, and workforce issues, and may  
24 invite interested stakeholders and additional experts to advise the  
25 joint select committee on health reform implementation. The joint  
26 select committee shall establish an advisory committee to provide  
27 advice and recommendations to the department of social and health  
28 services and the health care authority in the development of its  
29 implementation plan required by chapter ... (House Bill No. 1738), Laws  
30 of 2011 to coordinate the purchase and delivery of acute care, long-  
31 term care, and behavioral health services; and

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all participation in the joint select  
33 committee on health reform implementation and any advisory committee is  
34 without compensation; and

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint select committee on health  
36 reform implementation expires on or before June 30, 2014.

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