# IN THE ASSEMBLY OF THE DIXIE STATE

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# Dixie Health Service

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Be it enacted by the Assembly of the Dixie State.

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## **SECTION 2: SHORT TITLE**

(a) This piece of legislation may be cited as the "Dixie Health Service Act."

#### **SECTION 3: DEFINITIONS**

- (a) In this Act, unless otherwise specified, the following terms have the following meanings—
  - (i) "Secretary" shall refer to the Secretary of Health and Human Services.
  - (ii) "Director" shall refer to the Director of the Dixie Health Service."
  - (iii) "Private insurance" shall refer to any health coverage that is offered by a private entity.
  - (iv) "Employer insurance" shall refer to any health coverage that is offered by a employer

#### **SECTION 4: ENACTMENT AND SEVERABILITY**

- (a) This piece of legislation shall come into effect one year after its enactment.
- (b) This piece of legislation shall operate notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary.
- (c) If any one or more section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, word, provision or application of this piece of legislation shall for any person or circumstance be held to be illegal, invalid, unenforceable, and or or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of any other section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, word, provision or application of this piece of legislation which is operable without the offending section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, word, provision or application shall remain effective notwithstanding such illegal, invalid, unenforceable, and or or unconstitutional section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, word, provision or application, and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, word, provision or application of this piece of legislation are declared severable. The legislature hereby declares that it would have passed each part, and each provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more section, subsection, sentence,

clause, phrase, word, provision or application be declared illegal, invalid, unenforceable, and or or unconstitutional.

# TITLE I— Establishment

#### **SECTION 101: SHORT TITLE**

(a) This title may be cited as the "Establishment of the Dixie Health Service Act of 2021."

#### **SECTION 102: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE**

- (a) The Assembly of the State of Dixie here assembled does find that—
  - (i) There is no universal healthcare in the state of Dixie.
  - (ii) Millions of citizens are uninsured and are unable to afford the health coverage that they so desperately need.
  - (iii) All citizens should have access to high quality and affordable healthcare.
- (b) The purpose of this title is to Create a government run program to ensure that all Dixians are insured.

#### SECTION 103: ESTABLISHING THE DIXIE HEALTH SERVICE

- (a) There is hereby create the "Dixie Health Service."
- (b) The purpose of this service is to provide healthcare services to all citizens of the State of Dixie.

#### SECTION 104. DIRECTOR OF THE DIXIE HEALTH SERVICE

- (a) The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall appoint a nonpartisan individual, with the advise and consent of the Assembly, to be the director of the Dixie Health Service.
- (b) The director's primary goal shall be to oversee the creation, the rollout, and the maintenance of the Dixie Health Service.

#### SECTION 105. DIXIE HEALTH SERVICE MEMBERS

- (a) The director of the Dixie Health Service shall be responsible for appointing members to the Dixie Health Service Board.
- (b) The members of the Dixie Health Service shall be apolitical members.
- (c) The members shall assist the director in the creation, the rollout, and the maintenance of the Dixie Healthcare Service.

# **TITLE II— Enrollment**

#### **SECTION 201: SHORT TITLE**

(a) This title may be cited as "Enrollment."

#### **SECTION 202: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE**

- (a) The Assembly of the Dixie State here assembled does find that—
  - (1) Every citizen should have the right to healthcare.
  - (2) The healthcare service should be easy to access for all.
  - (3) An auto enrollment will fully ensure that all citizens of the Dixie State can have access to healthcare.
  - (4) The coverage of the Dixie Healthcare Service will be identical to Medicare.
- (b) The purpose of this title is to establish an easy system of auto enrollment with an opt out system.

#### **SECTION 203: AUTOMATED ENROLLMENT**

- (a) Every citizen of the Dixie State will be, at the age of 26 when they are ineligible to remain on their parents's benefits, automatically enrolled in the Dixie Health Service.
- (b) Citizens of the State of Dixie may opt out of enrollment if they feel as if their private health service is sufficient.

# **SECTION 204: Medicare and Medicaid**

(a) Any Dixie resident currently enrolled in Medicare and Medicaid shall be automatically enrolled in the Dixie Healthcare Service.

# **TITLE III— Coverage**

#### **SECTION 301: SHORT TITLE**

(a) This title may be cited as the "Coverage."

#### **SECTION 302: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE**

- (a) The Assembly of the State of Dixie here assembled does find that—
  - (1) The Dixie Health Service should offer comprehensive benefits to all.
  - (2) These benefits should include emergency room visits and hospital stays.
  - (3) The coverage should include regular health procedures, such as radiology, doctors office visits and more.
  - (4) The coverage should help lower the high costs of prescription drugs.
  - (5) The coverage should include specialized health areas, such as mental health, drug addiction rehabilitation, and disability benefits.
- (b) The purpose of this title is to establish the benefits that the Dixie Healthcare System will often.

#### **SECTION 303: Procedures**

- (a) The following medical procedures shall be 100% covered by the Dixie Healthcare Service.
  - (1) Emergency services and transportation
  - (2) Medical necessities required while inpatient at a hospital, including but not limited to, inpatient care for 24 hours a day, required inpatient medical prescription drugs.
  - (3) Radiology procedures needed.
  - (4) Mential, emotional, physiological, and social care with a licensed psychologist.
  - (5) Outpatient doctor appointments and any prescription drugs prescribed by a licensed doctor or PA.
  - (6) Vision care.
  - (7) Dental care.
  - (8) Audiology care.
  - (9) All care needed by people with disabilities, including but not limited to personal assistants, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy.
  - (10) Drug rehabilitation services.
  - (11) Abortions and reproductive procedures, limited to before the third trimester.
  - (12) Geriatrics and long term care
  - (13) Gender affirming surgery

# **TITLE IV— Private Insurance**

#### **SECTION 401: SHORT TITLE**

(b) This title may be cited as "Private Insurance."

#### **SECTION 402: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE**

- (a) The Assembly of the State of Dixie here assembled does find that—
  - (1) Many citizens already have quality insurance through private providers.
  - (2) Many citizens already have quality insurance through employers.
  - (3) These citizens have the right to choose their own healthcare provider that work best for them.
  - (4) The government should not force anyone off of their current healthcare system,
  - (b) The purpose of this title is to keep private insurance available for all who want it, while also providing for a public system that will insure all citizens.

### **SECTION 403. Private Insurance Continuation**

(a) The above stipulations shall not be viewed as a ban on any private health insurance from selling coverage identical to the Dixie Health Service.

# **SECTION 404. Employer Insurance Continuation**

(a) The above stipulations shall not be viewed as a ban on any employer from selling coverage identical to the Dixie Health Service.

# **TITLE V— Prohibitions**

### **SECTION 501: SHORT TITLE**

(c) This title may be cited as "Prohibition."

### **SECTION 502: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE**

- (a) The Assembly of the State of Dixie here assembled does find that—
  - (1) Deductibles and copays are crippling to families.
  - (2) Insurance companies set high deductibles to profit.
  - (3) This conduct is unacceptable and should be eliminated.
- (b) The purpose of this title is to eliminate copays, coinsurance and copayments.

### **SECTION 503. Eliminations**

- (a) The following is hereby eliminated:
  - (1) Deductibles
  - (2) Coinsurance
  - (3) Copayment

# **TITLE VI- Appropriations**

#### **SECTION 501: SHORT TITLE**

(a) This title may be cited as "Appropriations."

#### **SECTION 502: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE**

- (a) The Assembly of the State of Dixie here assembled does find that—
- (1) Universal healthcare will require more funding for the Department of Health and Human Services.
  - (2) Tax increases can be beneficial in lowering the spending.
  - (3) The top one percent are not paying their fair share in taxes.
  - (b) The purpose of this title is to give funding and increase taxes on the corporations and top one percent to pay for the Dixie Healthcare Service.

### **SECTION 603: Department of Health and Human Services Appropriations**

(a) The appropriation for the Department of Health shall be \$10,000,000,000.00.

### **SECTION 604: Agency for Healthcare Administration**

(a) The appropriations for the Agency for Healthcare Administration shall be \$85,000,000,000.00.

#### **SECTION 605: Tax Increases**

(a) The corporate tax rate in the State of Dixie is raised to 12%.