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Brief Description: Creating an alternate plan of health care for state employees.

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Finds that the cost of providing health care coverage for state employees is rapidly increasing not only for the state but also for state employees. Health care costs are continuing to escalate, indicating that state employees will be required to pay a larger portion of the cost of coverage. This impacts lower income state employees disproportionately because income is not a factor in determining the employees' contribution.

Finds that it is necessary to create lower cost health care coverage options for state employees in order to ease the financial burden of health care coverage and to bring stability to the health care delivery system.