



AN ACT PROHIBITING THE CREATION OF A STATE-BASED HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Prohibition on state-based health insurance exchange. (1) The state may not create an American health benefit exchange as provided for in Public Law 111-148 to facilitate the purchase of qualified health plans by individuals or provide for the establishment of a small business health options program for small employers.

(2) The state shall return to the federal government the unexpended portions of any grants obtained to plan for or implement a state-based American health benefit exchange pursuant to Public Law 111-148.

Section 2. Codification instruction. [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 33, chapter 1, part 1, and the provisions of Title 33, chapter 1, apply to [section 1].

Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,
SB 0228, originated in the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate

President of the Senate

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2011.

Speaker of the House

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2011.

SENATE BILL NO. 228

INTRODUCED BY J. PRIEST

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