

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: March 4, 2013

SUBJECT: Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) Resolution

PRESENTER: Steve Wyatt

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1. Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Board is requested to discuss the attached Resolution seeking a waiver for Henderson County Government from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The new law subjects the taxpayers of Henderson County to double taxation due to the “fees” imposed on local governments that provide healthcare benefits to its employees and covered dependents that must be covered by local taxes, as well as the federal taxes citizens will be subject to under the PPACA as individuals and/or businesses.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to discuss the Resolution, and to direct Staff accordingly.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board adopt the attached Resolution seeking a waiver for Henderson County Government from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

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PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (PPACA) RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS,** the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) of 2010 has been passed into law and has begun to go into effect; and
- WHEREAS,** Henderson County Government provides a substantial healthcare benefit for its employees and covered dependents at a substantial cost to the taxpayers of Henderson County; and
- WHEREAS,** Henderson County Government has diligently worked to provide these benefits while managing the costs in an effective manner thereby complying with the intent of the law to “provide affordable care”; and
- WHEREAS,** Henderson County Government will now be subject to extraordinary costs for which no tangible value is obtained due to the imposition of this unfunded mandate by the Federal Government; and
- WHEREAS,** the taxpayers of Henderson County are subject to double taxation due to the “fees” imposed on local governments that provide healthcare benefits to its employees and covered dependents that must be covered by local taxes as well as the federal taxes they will be subject to under the PPACA as individuals and/or businesses;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners formally petitions the Federal Government for relief from this unfunded mandate by waiver, exemption or other appropriate method as applicable, and respectfully requests Senator Richard Burr, Senator Kay Hagan and Congressman Mark Meadows to take appropriate action to relieve the tax payers of Henderson County from this unfunded mandate and unwarranted double taxation.

Adopted this the 4th day of March, 2013.

CHARLIE MESSER, CHAIRMAN
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD