

Dear Governor Fallin,

Two recent newspaper articles brought to our attention that your office may be considering whether or not to establish some sort of insurance exchange in the state of Oklahoma, possibly a state-based insurance exchange or a federally-partnered insurance exchange.

OK-SAFE opposes either option.

We contend that:

- Since you campaigned in 2010 against the implementation of the PPACA ("ObamaCare") in the state of Oklahoma, and won on that platform;
- And since an insurance exchange is the cornerstone of the PPACA, and thereby will create a system of "market-management" that is contrary to the free enterprise system;
- And since via SQ 756 the citizens of Oklahoma made clear their opposition to PPACA with their 65% vote;
- And since the state legislature has twice been stymied by the people in its' attempt to establish an insurance exchange;
- And since several incumbent Republicans drew primary opponents due to the attempt to create such an exchange, causing many people to be disgusted with the Republican party;

We therefore demand that you make the obvious happen in Oklahoma.

Specifically, we expect Oklahoma's elected officials to demonstrate true leadership and integrity by publicly announcing that there will be no health insurance exchange created/established/implemented in the state of Oklahoma. Period.

Further, we agree with Sen. Tom Coburn's contention that there should be no further expansion of Medicaid; we ask that you demonstrate fiscal responsibility by opposing such an expansion in the state of Oklahoma.

With hopes that you do the right thing...

Sincerely,

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