

## Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention

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DELEGATE PROPOSAL NO. 215

DATE: May 10, 1995

It is proposed that a constitutional amendment be prepared that does the following:

Provides that every citizen in the Commonwealth has the right to affordable, accessible, thorough, and competent health care.

Directs that in order to achieve health care objectives, the health care system must be privatized.

Directs that as an interim step toward total privatization, and to provide for emergencies, the health care system will be placed in an agency with autonomy in the administration of its affairs, including perconnel, financial, and procurement matters. The agency shall not be within any branch of the government.

Directs that the head of the agency be appointed by the Governor.

Directs that this provision of the Constitution will terminate of its own accord when the privatization of the health care system is completed.

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CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLE THAT WOULD BE AMENDED: Art. III, Sec. 17, adds a new subsection; Schedule on Transitional Matters

CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED: None