



Peace and Freedom Party of California Legislative Committee

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Honorable Assembly Member Mia Bonta
1020 N Street, Suite 390
Sacramento, CA 95815

Subject: AB 298 (Bonta) - SUPPORT - Health care coverage cost sharing

Dear Assembly Member Bonta;

The Peace and Freedom Party supports AB 298 which would prohibit health care plans and health insurance from imposing deductibles, coinsurance, copays or other cost-sharing for services provided to enrollees younger than 21 years old.

We believe that all health care should be free at the point of delivery and paid for by taxes, not by the complicated combination of multiple taxpayer-funded programs, employee benefits and individual payments. However, prior to that restructuring, we support reforms to improve fairness and eliminate disincentives to needed care.

Thus we support this bill, though we note that almost all of the arguments for eliminating copays for children and youth apply as well to copays for adults.

The Peace and Freedom Party supports AB 298. For more information on our position on this bill please email me at reigers@earthlink.net

Sincerely,

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Dave Kadlecck

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