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Analysis of Universal Health-Care Payment System

The majority of Coloradans say health care's too expensive; want system changes



“I am struggling to keep up with the rising cost of health care for my employees,” said Chip Bair, owner of Beau Jo’s Pizza, in a 2023 interview. “And that’s not all. My employees are struggling to pay 30% of the cost of their health care premium even though I am paying 70%! When is this going to end? This is unsustainable!”

Business owners like Chip Bair and their employees need real solutions. We know from previous research that a publicly funded, privately delivered health care payment plan for Colorado would save hard working business owners and their employees money. But is it feasible to implement a publicly funded payment plan for all Coloradans?

That’s the question HB24-1075 will answer. Shouldn’t we have that answer once and for all so we can move forward if there is a realistic path — or stop if it isn’t feasible?

According to a 2023 Colorado Health Foundation survey, 69% of Coloradans characterized the cost of health care and mental health care as “extremely” or “very serious” concerns and six in 10 Coloradans want big, fundamental changes to the way we finance health care.

[Source: www.copulsepoll.org/results](http://www.copulsepoll.org/results)



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