

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER POIZNER AGAINST AB 2578

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According to Josh Richman from Inside Bay Area, California Insurance Commissioner reportedly does not support AB 2578. Poizner's spokesman said the following of the commissioner's views on this bill:

"He believes that additional bureaucracy envisioned in the bill doesn't deal with the fundamental problem of health care — rising medical costs. Steve is committed to lowering healthcare costs, but President Obama demonstrated with his healthcare bill that he is not the least bit interested in lowering healthcare costs for consumers," Agen said in an e-mailed reply to my query."

"Steve wants greater choice and competition in the healthcare marketplace through measures like reducing the number of mandates, increasing the use of electronic medical records, and giving consumers the freedom to purchase health insurance across state lines. He believes measures such as these, rather than more government incursion into our healthcare system, will make healthcare more affordable for California's citizens."

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This position is not in line with the Consumer Watchdog organization, which strongly supports prior approval of health insurance rates, but certainly consistent with Poizner's gubernatorial campaign platform.