Healthy Utah

Provide Coverage,
Protect the Taxpayer, Promote Individual Responsibility
Healthy Utah 2.0
(S.B. 164 SO1)

WHAT IT DOES:

- HU2.0 fully prepays for the entire pilot program through a combination of cost savings, efficiencies, and one-time money
- HU2.0 costs $25 million total in state funds over the two-year pilot
- Is in effect from July 2015 to July 2017 and includes an iron-clad termination provision
- Includes triggers that guarantees full match rates from the federal government
- Covers an estimated 126k people in FY2017 making HU2.0 by far the most effective use of Utah dollars
- Represents a 37 to 1 return on investment while providing health coverage to 9 times as many individuals as the next closest proposal
- Provides certainty in the short run while allowing Utah to fully reconsider its health care options in 2017
- Allows the state to continue negotiating with HHS for additional waivers

WHAT IT DOESN’T DO:

- Does not raise taxes
- Does not create a dedicated new revenue stream to fund an ongoing program
- Does not lock the state into a new open-ended welfare program
- Does not open the state to unforeseen financial risk
- Does not leave tens of thousands of Utahns without health insurance due to the flaws of Obamacare