

## **Outline of KVH Issue Brief**

### **What It Does: The New Health Reform Legislation**

**Summary:** A summary of the key provisions of the bill (in lay person's language—no jargon) that relate to average citizens:

- Health insurance mandate
- Health insurance market reforms
- Medicaid expansions
- Tax changes
- Prescription drugs
- Employer responsibility
- Subsidies
- Health insurance exchanges

**Implementation Timeline:** Outline the provisions of the bill that take effect year by year, to show when each provision will be implemented:

- Provisions that take effect immediately
- Provisions that take effect for each year through 2020

**Frequently Asked Questions:** Provide a list of answers to frequently asked questions about the new law (a number of reliable organizations, such as the Kaiser foundation, have produced FAQs that can be used).

**Cost:** Provide a brief overview of the cost and funding for the bill from the Congressional Budget Office cost analysis. (This is not essential to explaining the bill, but if we have space, it might be useful as some readers will be interested in the cost.)

**Estimated Kentucky Impact:** Provide estimates of the number of Kentuckians who will be affected by the following provisions (based on estimates prepared by the House Energy and Commerce Committee for each congressional district):

- Tax credits for health insurance
- Medicaid expansion
- Pre-existing condition coverage
- Young adults (through age 26) on parents' health insurance plan
- Reduction in uncompensated care
- Funding for community health centers

A map of Kentucky will also show these estimates for each Kentucky congressional district, to give the reader a better sense of the impact for each geographic area in Kentucky.

**Resources for Further Information:** Provide links/contact information for reliable sources of information for readers who want more detailed information.