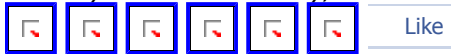




ATR Applauds Virginia Court Ruling on Obamacare Individual Mandate

From Ryan Ellis on Monday, December 13, 2010 6:40 PM



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Several thoughts from our perspective on the [individual mandate decision in Virginia](#) today:

1. As our friends at Cato said ([here](#), [here](#), and [here](#)), it's nice to be reminded every once in a while that the federal government has limited and enumerated powers.
2. If the individual mandate is stripped out, it makes all of Obamacare inoperable. Insurance companies would have to issue products on demand to people who would have no legal obligation to not game the system. Obamacare without a mandate would force lawmakers to decide whether they wanted to give the legislative death penalty to health insurance companies. If you think health care is bad with insurance companies, imagine getting your insurance from the government instead.
3. While the heart of Obamacare would be ripped out by striking the mandate, the arms and legs would remain. [Twenty-five of those arms and legs are all the new tax hikes in Obamacare](#). As people rightly focus on the spending and regulation in Obamacare, it's important to keep in mind that the bill was also one of the largest tax hikes in history. Striking out the individual mandate only would overturn (at most) two of those twenty-five tax hikes.
4. Those of us committed to Obamacare repeal must pursue all judicial, legislative, and executive solutions. We cannot be tempted to use the courts as a "deus ex machina" here.

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I have posted this already here before You guys should stop complaining because, one the health care we have now isnt as good as it was supposed to be. also the law has just been signed so give it some time. so if u want to say u have the right to choose tell that to ur congress men or state official. If you do not have insurance and need one You can find full medical coverage at the lowest price check search online for "Wise Health Insurance" If you have health insurance and do not care about cost just be happy about it and believe me you are not going to loose anything!

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I'm more pissed at the fact that our government passed something and they didn't even know what was in it. I mean... when House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said, "But we have to pass the bill so that you can find out what is in it, away from the fog of controversy." It is over 2,700 pages. I'm not going to sign a check so I can find how much money it is and I sure am not going to pass something just to find out what's in it.

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