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The Left Claims They Can't Find Anyone Who Says Obamacare is Illegal

by **Brian Garst**

The University of Washington held a "debate" over the constitutionality of the health care bill in which none of the participants argued it was at all unconstitutional. Explaining this farce, the university <u>claimed</u> they couldn't find any law professors to argue the opposing view. Liberal blogs such as TalkingPointsMemo and Think Progress, the blog for the Soros funded mouth-piece known as Center for American Progress, picked up the story to brag that the left can't find any law professors to argue that Obamacare is unconstitutional. Clearly they haven't looked hard enough.

Cato Institute legal scholar Ilya Shapiro, who is also an adjunct professor at George Washington University Law School, has issued a simple challenge. He'll debate the constitutionality of Obamacare "anywhere at anytime."



It's not as if he's the only one. Randy Barnett teaches constitutional law at Georgetown University and recently wrote in the Washington Post about different possible challenges to Obamacare. He concluded that several "constitutional challenges to health-care reform have a sound basis in the text of the Constitution." Richard Epstein, of the University of Chicago, is another well-known skeptic of the bill's constitutionality, and several months ago authored a piece explaining why in the Wall Street Journal. There are plenty more.

Here's the \$65,000 question. If the brilliant scholars at the University of Washington couldn't properly conduct a basic search to find any of the numerous legal scholars who find Obamacare unconstitutional, how seriously can they possibly expect us to take their legal scholarship?

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stang289 109p · 2 days ago

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Joe Redfield \cdot 2 days ago

What they probably meant was that they couldn't find any professors on their own faculty to argue against the proposition. Either that, or they just didn't bother to look for anyone.

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<u>Darkwolfe</u> 68p · 2 days ago

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Heck, I'm a run-of-the-mill computer tech and I could debate the unconstitutionality of Obamacare with any of those dolts and win with ease while taking a nap.

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MN gal · 2 days ago

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Absolutely incredible. Very poor scholarship. This is even more evidence the elite thinks Americans are too stupid to see past their little tricks...

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BeefSupreme 81p · 2 days ago

With probably 90% of the media behind them, it doesn't surprise me that they would make such a ridiculous claim. In the end, this will boil down to how many Americans have an IQ above room temperature. The numbers are stacked in the conservatives favor.

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burns 1 76p · 2 days ago

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And you wonder why our educational system is broken and a waste of tax payer money.

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Joe Tetreault · 2 days ago

The story out of UW strikes me more of an attempt at de-legitimization of the law's critics than an effort at open, honest debate. After all, what's a little dismissive scorn after you've shoved a law down the throats of an increasingly restive populace.

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SunshineConnie 75p · 2 days ago

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The time for debate ended with the vote.

Now is the courts time.

In November the Ballot Box will settle the debate.

Too funny that the elite Uof W does not understand the time line concept.

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<u>HiPlains Drifter</u> 89p · 2 days ago

I don't want to get bogged down in minutia here but any bill longer the The Homestead Act, (4 handwritten pages) should be unconstitutional on it's face...2600 pages, indeed..

I don't think anyone has read it or understands the overall scope of the beast

It must be tossed out and a market based plan initiated ASAP..

If premiums and the defiect go down then I'll call it a success... Anyone givings odds on that??

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<u>HuskersLoveBo</u> 1p · 2 days ago

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I went and read his article. One-half of it dealt with making the law unconstitutional by passing an amendment. Once again, the bill was not just passed under the commerce clause. It was passed under the necessary and proper clause and the Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution. The bill sets up interstate insurance exchanges which permit individuals to purchase insurance across state lines. This is clear interstate commerce. The enforcement mechanism is a tax. I assure you, this bill contains some legislative history which states Uncle Sam is picking up a portion of the costs of the uninsured. As a result, this tax is to offset this expense. Although the Sixteenth Amendment does not require a casual nexus between the tax and the need, this bill contains one. As a result, any court will make very short work of this argument. I wish one person, just one person would explain to me why the persons on this website vilify a welfare mama who passes her costs down to society, but yet, praises an uninsured who does the exact same thing with their health care costs.

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Gman · 2 days ago

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These people don't want debate, they want to stifle dissent. They want to destroy anyone who would prove its unconstitutionality. You twits on the left consider healthcare a right? Why would you need 16,000 additional LieRS agents escorted by shotgun wielding security, prison and jail time, and monetary fines to uphold someones rights?

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This is why they are called "the left"
The opposite of being right is being "left"
Left is another word for "sinister"
Satan is left-handed. Is Obama left-handed? Hmm hmm hmm

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CHICAGO RALPH · 2 days ago

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It was proposed,......

It was argued,......

It was revised,.....

it was debated,.....

It was voted on,.....

It was passed,.....and now,.....only now,.....

It is being explained to us,.....

Somehow I do not believe that you have to be a Constitutional expert to realize that,......

this bill's passing is on a shaky foundation.

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peaches 1 · 2 days ago

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This means there is only a small percentage of people, politicians and whoever is behind them are orchestrating this entire mess. They are paying people like to unions to make it look like the American people want it. They don't and we don't want them.

Do not believe anything that Obama and Congress does or says.

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Kyle_Cheney 65p · 2 days ago

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I'm a college sophomore and I could probably debate the unconstitutionality of Obamacare with any of these "law professors." I'd do it with half my brain tied behind my back just to make it fair, of course.

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Amendment 9 The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

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Amendment 10 The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

They can try and twist those words all they want.

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Ironically, the word "care" appears once in the Constitution -- in Article II, Section 3. The word applies to the President of the United States and says, "... he shall take Care that the Laws be faithfully executed. ..."

That makes obama unconstitutional too.

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Slveryder 60p · 2 days ago

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Typical UW. I'd love to say I'm surprised but Seattle IS jockeying to be the next Berkley. They wouldn't want to acknowledge that conservatives existed if they were the last people in the universe. /facepalm

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sybill 73p · 2 days ago

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Why don't we just underwrite the expenses involved with taking this directly to the Supreme Court? Debating time is over. This is law. Time to climb the legislative relief ladder, in my opinion.

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JSMinch 56p · 2 days ago

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The Washington State's Attorney Frikin' General believes that it's unconstitutional and intends to challenge it in court. What? They couldn't find his number?

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 ${\bf SaintGeorgeGentile} \cdot 2 \ days \ ago$

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On Greta this evening Gov. Granholm of Michigan also made the claim that she couldn't find one lawyer who believes that this monstrosity was unconstitutional

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 $\textbf{Dan} \cdot \textit{2 days ago}$

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President Obama Calls Mitt Romney "Current Republican Nominee": http://bit.ly/cq9PYa

How much more evidence do we need that Obama's got Mitt on the mind. First, he picks up Mitt's book at the bookstore, then he tries to tarnish Mitt's conservative credentials by comparing Obamacare to what Mitt did in Massachusetts, and now this? I can't wait until Mitt runs this fool out of the White House in 2012!

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zebo · 2 days ago

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I think that the most relevant argument has to do with the fact that it interferes with the rights of the states to determine their budgets. Where does the U.S. Constitution state that the federal government, through edicts, dictates, mandates or any other means, has the right to determine what the states spend their monies on?

I think it has the possibility of not only putting the kibosh on Obamacare but of all federally-mandated programs that the states are required to spend a single cent of their own funds to enact or enforce.

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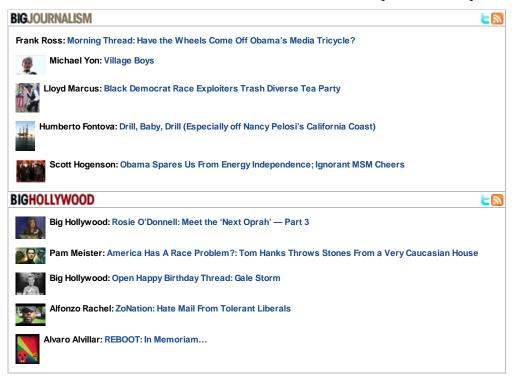
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