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# Single-Payer In California Is Not The Answer

## What They Are Saying About Single-Payer

**Editorial:** Biggest health care issue isn't single payer, it's Medi-Cal cuts

*May 24, 2017*

**Santa Cruz Sentinel**

“Rather than engage in a losing battle for single payer, California’s elected representatives need to come together to fight off Trump’s attempt to slash the Medicaid budget...”

“Single payer as an alternative would simply be too expensive to provide universal coverage...”

**Editorial:** Universal health care for California? In Fantasyland, maybe.

*May 22, 2017*

**THE SACRAMENTO BEE** 

“Senate Bill 562 fails to answer the most basic reality-based questions, such as how the state, employers and health care consumers would pay for a single-payer, government-run health care system...”

“...Advocates for a California-only single-payer program must have swallowed hard Monday when they read a legislative staff report that placed the annual cost at \$400 billion, given that the entire \$184 billion state budget wouldn't cover even half of that...”

**Column:** Single-payer healthcare in California? Time to take a cold shower and return to the real world

*May 25, 2017*

**Los Angeles Times**

“A state-run universal healthcare system? California only? It's fantasy. Current legislation in Sacramento is fatally flawed and foolhardy.

“Why? It would be astronomically expensive, politically impossible and beyond state government's competence.”