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COMPTROLLER LEMBO STATEMENT ON U.S. SUPREME COURT RULING THAT UPHOLDS AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

"This historic decision upholds decades of work to ensure that millions of uninsured Americans, including at least a half million Connecticut residents, have access to health care.

"This victory, while critical, is only a new starting point. The federal government – and Connecticut – must maintain momentum to reform and improve our health-care system at every level.

"Connecticut has been a leader in health care innovation – transforming its own health care system, as an employer, to save lives and dollars by focusing more on quality preventative care.

"While employers in the rest of the United States are experiencing health care cost increases of more than 8 percent – more than twice the rate of inflation – Connecticut, as an employer, has stabilized its own rates with no increase.

"Connecticut's successful initiatives reinforce what I have long advocated – that when you improve health care delivery, you improve health care savings."

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