

# Summary of State Legislative Efforts Aimed at Health Care Transformation Reforms

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Proposed merger guidelines may limit cross-market hospital deals

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How health systems are battling price-gouging allegations

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Average annual healthcare cost

**in all 50 states**

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**Midwest hospital M&A market  
heats up, but faces policy  
hurdles**

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**Your Exorbitant Medical Bill,  
Brought to You by the Latest  
Hospital Merger**

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**Cross-Market Health System  
Mergers to Pick Up Steam**

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# **North Carolina Medicaid Expansion Puts Employers And Workers At Risk For Higher Hospital Prices**

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**Doctors' lawsuit: HCA Healthcare and TeamHealth overcharged patients**

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**FTC urges North Carolina lawmakers to scuttle antitrust carve-out for UNC Health**