

## ASSEMBLY CALL-TO-ACTION ALERT | STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 714

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Dear FRA Leaders, Members, Family, Friends, and Coalition Partners,

On Tuesday 03/18/2025 at 9:30am SB 714 will be heard by the Florida State Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, which we must OPPOSE. Justification: SB 714 (text | status), if signed into law, would require the State of Florida to create and make available a "nonopioid advance directive form that allows a person to indicate to a treating health care provider that he or she does not want to be prescribed or administered an opioid drug. In the event that he or she should become incapacitated and is unable to personally direct his or her healthcare."

While this legislation, purportedly intended to address a "rise in drug overdose deaths," may sound benign at first glance, it will have unintended consequences that are unsafe for patients and detrimental to the medical professionals caring for them, explains a JAMA review from 2022. The bottom line is that the State of Florida should not be in the business of facilitating policies that block the options doctors have available to help patients at times when they are the most in need of medical care.

#### **CALL-TO-ACTION**

Please Call, Email, and "X" all Republicans who sit on the Florida State Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services and let them know you STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 714. Let them know that it is unsafe for both patients and doctors and encourage them to VOTE NO ON SB 714

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Sincerely,

