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Judy Esterquest, the HC Specialist for NYS, has a request on behalf of the LWV NYS HealthCare Committee:

After significant study, the LWV of Vermont has a new Privatization position which they are proposing as an [Update to the current L WVUS Position on Privatization](#) — just as our New York Leagues proposed an Update to the US Health Care Position at Convention 2022, by adding language from the (then new) NYS positions (which Update was adopted, by near-unanimous vote! Go LWV of NYS!).

As many of you already know, LWV NYS Health Care Committee is asking all NYS local Leagues to support discussing Vermont's proposed Update at the L WVUS Convention in June. You can do this by [adding specific language to the L WV Program Planning Survey which is due on March 11](#). If you support discussing it (that is, putting it on the program agenda to discuss, debate, and vote on), that does not require your League to support adopting the position. Delegates to Convention are supposed to decide to vote "yes" or "no" based on what they learn at Convention.

You can learn [why Vermont initiated the process](#) which led them to a new position, and Vermont has also prepared a [sample script for explaining this request](#) to your board or advocacy committee. As they finalize their materials, they are being posted here. If you have any questions you can write, Vermont's Health Chair, Betty Keller, MD, at [lwv.vt.update@gmail.com](mailto:lwv.vt.update@gmail.com).

Thank you!

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