

Pizza vs. Medicine

If you would like pizza for dinner tonight, pick up your phone. For \$30 you can have a couple of pizzas custom made and delivered to your door practically anywhere in Salem.

There are many pizza restaurants eager for your business.

If those pizzas don't arrive in 30 minutes or so, hot and perfectly cooked you'd wonder what was wrong with the restaurant.

But what if you sprain your ankle or don't feel well and would like a checkup?

Well, that's different!

Medicine is more important than pizza, so the legislature approved bureaucrats to regulate it. We wouldn't want poor quality medical care after all! We've already voted on several bills adjusting this system this session.

So, your options are limited.

You can spend at least \$1000 and wait in line at the emergency room. If you are lucky one of the few urgent cares might be open. That's less expensive. If it's not "urgent" it might take months to see your doctor.

But will a doctor or nurse arrive at your door in 30 minutes? Of course not! Unless you need an ambulance – and by then it might be too late.

Many years ago doctors made house calls. Government rules make that difficult now.

So pizza is cheap and plentiful, while medicine is expensive and limited.

We need to get the government out of medicine!