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In the news



Umbrella policy

Monday: Cloudy, a shower. High 79-84. Low 66-71. Tuesday: Sun and clouds. High 78-83. Low 65-70. High tide: 3:37 a.m., 3:58 p.m. Sunrise: 6:03 Sunset: 7:28 Complete report, **B11**

Egyptian courts heard criminal cases against former president Hosni Mubarak and leaders of the Muslim Brotherhood in what the nation's media called "trials of the two regimes." **A3.**

Young Americans echoed the civil rights crusaders of the 1960s by embracing roles in the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington. A6.

Former secretary of state Colin Powell urged President Obama to speak out and display more passion on issues of race. A6.

Attacks across Iraq killed at least 46 people as the country's worst wave of violence since 2008 continued. A4.



Jake Peavy hurled a complete-game three-hitter as the Red Sox beat the Dodgers, 8-1, and regained sole possession of first place. C1.

Lobbyists in at least 20 states receive public pensions because they represent associations of counties, cities, and school boards, a benefit that is drawing new questions. A2.

At least five people were killed and 18 injured when a cargo train carrying at least 250 Central American migrants derailed in a remote part of southern Mexico. A4.

Fare evasion citations on the MBTA have dropped 11 percent from a year ago as Transit Police have increased their vigilance. **B1**.

Army researchers have narrowed the field to three companies as part of a long process to develop a boot for use in the hard environments of the Middle East. **B5.**

POINT OF VIEW:

JENNIFER GRAHAM

"In banning purses (along with backpacks and binocular cases) from stadiums, the NFL has become a champion of women, giving us the opportunity to experience, if only fleetingly, the freedoms afforded when not functioning as dutiful pack mules strapped with panniers." **A11.**

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HEALTH LAW COVERAGE CAN BE A TOUGH SELL



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 $Rachel\ Perry\ (left)\ talked\ about\ health\ care\ enrollment\ with\ Deborah\ Young,\ who\ is\ self-employed,\ in\ Dallas.$

Group's experience in Texas underscores resistance, uncertainty

By Tracy Jan
GLOBE STAFF

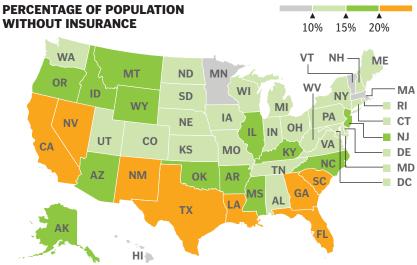
DALLAS — The young organizers fanned out through a neighborhood of ranch houses on a scorching midsummer morning, eager to educate Texans on the benefits coming their way under President Obama's health insurance law. Idealistic and motivated, these health care foot soldiers were armed with glossy brochures emblazoned with the slogan: "Get Covered."

But a few hours spent with the team, from a nonprofit organization called Enroll America, illustrated the enormous challenges facing the White House and supporters of the health care overhaul in states like Texas.

In this large Republican-leaning state, one in four residents lacks insurance — the highest rate in the country — yet ignorance of the law and its potential benefits is rampant. State political leaders from the governor on down are actively opposing the law's provisions and want it to fail.

Texas, in other words, remains hostile country before a key element of the law takes effect.

"I'm not interested," a 37-year-old



NOTE: Urban Institute and Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured estimates based on the Census Bureau's March 2011 and 2012 Current Population Survey

woman declared, waving an arm at the two college students standing on her porch before shutting her door in their faces

Later, when the organizers found more people to speak with, they encountered deep confusion and skepticism Many Texans erroneously believed elected officials had repealed the law. Young black and Latino men, in particular, wondered if they would be signing up for "real" insurance, disbelieving that coverage could be both affordable and comprehensive.

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Mayoral rivals give environmental aims

Range of plans to boost recycling, curb emissions, adapt to sea levels

By David Abel

In hopes of improving air quality, City Councilor Michael Ross wants to authorize the city's parking enforcement officers to issue tickets to drivers violating anti-idling laws, and City Councilor Rob Consalvo would require diesel-fueled municipal vehicles to mix in biodiesel.

To counter rising sea levels, state Representative Marty Walsh envisions floating buildings and a series of locks and dams ringing the city, while Bill Walczak, a former health

care executive, would preserve marshland to build buffer zones for flood protection.

► Candidates' stances are at b.globe.com/mayoral-issues

City Councilors Felix Arroyo and John Connolly want to boost the city's recycling rate by making composting containers as common on curbs as recycling bins, while

John Barros, executive director of the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative, wants to hire youths to plant thousands of trees around Boston.

In response to questions submitted by the Globe, nine of the 12 mayoral candidates proposed a range of novel ideas about how to improve the city's dismal recycling rate, realize ambitious goals to cut

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US tone turns harder on Syria

Military response to toxic arms use appears possible

> By Scott Shane and Ben Hubbard NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — Moving a step closer to possible US military action in Syria, a senior Obama administration official said Sunday that there was "very little doubt" that President Bashar Assad's military forces had used chemical weapons against civilians last week and that a Syrian promise to allow UN inspectors access to the site was "too late to be credible."

The official said that "based on the reported number of victims, reported symptoms of those who were killed or injured, witness accounts and other facts gathered by open sources, the US intelligence community, and international partners, there is very little doubt at this point that a chemical weapon was used by the Syrian regime against civilians in this incident."

The conclusion was described in a written statement released Sunday morning on the condition that the official not be named. It reflected a

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Biotech reeling after FDA rejection

Aveo put hopes on cancer drug

By Robert Weisman GLOBE STAFF

It took Aveo Pharmaceuticals Inc. seven years to develop a much anticipated kidney cancer drug. Federal regulators needed only about four hours to crush the company's hopes.

The Cambridge biotech's executives were brimming with confidence when they arrived for a Food and Drug Administration advisory committee meeting May 2 in Silver Spring, Md. The panel was expected to recommend that the drug — known as tivozanib — be approved for sale. Instead, Aveo's leaders endured a gut-wrenching morning, starting with the first speaker.

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Anglican priest, flock cross a welcoming bridge

By Lisa Wangsness GLOBE STAFF

EVERLY — Before
Mass on a recent
Sunday, the Rev. Jurgen Liias stood in a
cramped sacristy of
a Catholic church with an acolyte and cantor and began a
call-and-response prayer of
preparation.

Incense smoldered. The men thumped their chests in a gesture of contrition.

The elaborate ritual would seem unusual to most Catholic priests, who pray silently before Mass as they don their vestments, or quietly focus on the sacred work ahead. But Liias, who is 65, is different. He entered the church through a new doorway that lets members of the Anglican Communion return to the mother church in Rome while retaining their congregational communities — and, if they wish, much of their ornate ritual, including old Catholic traditions that Rome changed or left behind.

Pope John Paul II extended to Anglicans, including married priests, the opportunity to become Catholic in 1980. During the next 30 years, 100 or so Anglican priests entered the Catholic Church and were incorporated into local dioceses.

But some in the worldwide Anglican Communion — par-PRIEST, Page A9 JOSH REYNOLDS FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

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The Rev. Jurgen Liias leads a Catholic parish that is an alternative for former Anglicans.