

considered high priorities by the Appropriations Committees as they make spending decisions for fiscal year 2000 and beyond.

SEC. 15. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON CHILD NUTRITION.

It is the sense of Congress that both Democrats and Republicans understand that an adequate diet and proper nutrition are essential to a child's general well-being. Furthermore, the lack of an adequate diet and proper nutrition may adversely affect a child's ability to perform up to his or her ability in school. Because of this fact, as well as the current Federal role in school nutrition programs and the commitment on behalf of both Republicans and Democrats to helping children learn, it is the sense of Congress that the Committee on Education and the Workforce and the Committee on Agriculture of the House should examine our Nation's nutrition programs to determine if they can be improved, particularly with respect to services to low-income children.

SEC. 16. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING STATES' FLEXIBILITY TO HELP LOW-INCOME SENIORS MEET MEDICARE'S COST SHARING REQUIREMENTS.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds that—

(1) Congress and the States through Medicaid have established two vital programs to help senior citizens pay medicare premiums, deductibles, and copayments through the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) and the Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB) programs;

(2) a recent Families, USA study found that between three and four million low-income seniors are not getting the help to which they are legally entitled, which is nearly 40 percent of those eligible for these programs; and

(3) for many senior citizens with limited means, these medicare premiums, deductibles, and copayments can be a significant burden on their monthly budgets.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that these low-income seniors be enrolled in Medicaid by allowing the Social Security Administration to automatically assume that these seniors are eligible for Medicaid, while States make final determinations.

SEC. 17. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON EQUITABLE REIMBURSEMENT FOR FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS.

The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 contained a provision to phase out Medicaid cost-based reimbursements from States to FQHC's beginning in August of 1999 and phasing out completely by 2002. It is anticipated that the phase-out of these reimbursements will put a tremendous strain on the ability of FQHC's to meet the healthcare needs of Medicaid beneficiaries and the uninsured, particularly in rural areas of the United States. It is the sense of Congress that a fair and equitable Medicaid reimbursement policy should be developed for FQHC's in recognition of their unique patient and service mix.

SEC. 18. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING STATE'S FLEXIBILITY TO PROVIDE CHILDREN WITH HEALTH INSURANCE.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds that—

(1) according to the 1997 current population survey data from the United States Census Bureau, 11.3 million children are uninsured and 4.4 million of them are eligible for Medicaid;

(2) under the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, States have a new option under Medicaid to grant "presumptive eligibility" to children through pediatricians, community health centers, other health providers, Head Start centers, WIC agencies, and State or local child care agencies that determine eligibility for child care subsidies; and

(3) it is more cost effective to enroll these children in Medicaid and ensure that they

are receiving preventive care through a family doctor, rather than through an emergency room where children are sicker and taxpayers will end up paying more through higher Medicaid expenditures, local taxes, or insurance premiums.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that these low-income children be enrolled in Medicaid by allowing schools, child care resource and referral centers, child support agencies, workers determining eligibility for homeless programs, and workers determining eligibility for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) to automatically assume that these children are eligible for Medicaid, while States make final determinations.

It was decided in the { Yeas 173 negative } Nays 250

¶29.13 [Roll No. 76] AYES—173

- Abercrombie, Allen, Andrews, Baird, Baldacci, Baldwin, Barrett (WI), Becerra, Bentzen, Berkeley, Berman, Blagojevich, Blumenauer, Bonior, Borski, Boswell, Boucher, Brady (PA), Brown (FL), Brown (OH), Capps, Capuano, Cardin, Carson, Clay, Clayton, Clement, Clyburn, Condit, Conyers, Coyne, Cramer, Crowley, Cummings, Danner, Davis (FL), Davis (IL), DeGette, Delahunt, DeLauro, Deutsch, Dicks, Dixon, Doggett, Dooley, Doyle, Edwards, Engel, Eshoo, Etheridge, Evans, Farr, Fattah, Filner, Ford, Frost, Gejdenson, Gephardt, Gonzalez, Gordon, Green (TX), Gutierrez, Hall (OH), Hall (TX), Hastings (FL), Hill (IN), Hilliard, Hinchee, Hinojosa, Hoefel, Holt, Hooley, Hoyer, Inslee, Jackson (IL), Jackson-Lee (TX), Jefferson, John, Johnson, E. B., Jones (OH), Kaptur, Kennedy, Kildee, Kilpatrick, Kind (WI), Kleczka, Klink, Kucinich, LaFalce, Lampson, Lantos, Larson, Levin, Lewis (GA), Lofgren, Lowey, Luther, Maloney (CT), Maloney (NY), Markey, Martinez, Mascara, Matsui, McCarthy (MO), McDermott, McGovern, McKinney, McNulty, Meehan, Meek (FL), Meeks (NY), Menendez, Millender, McDonald, Mink, Moakley, Moore, Moran (VA), Nadler, Napolitano, Neal, Oberstar, Obey, Oliver, Ortiz, Pallone, Pascarell, Payne, Price (NC), Rahall, Rangel, Reyes, Rodriguez, Roemer, Rothman, Roybal-Allard, Rush, Sabo, Sanchez, Sandlin, Sawyer, Scott, Serrano, Sherman, Shows, Sisisky, Skelton, Slaughter, Smith (WA), Snyder, Spratt, Stabenow, Strickland, Tauscher, Thompson (CA), Thompson (MS), Thurman, Towns, Turner, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Velazquez, Vento, Waters, Watt (NC), Waxman, Weiner, Wexler, Weygand, Wise, Woolsey, Wu, Wynn

NOES—250

- Aderholt, Archer, Arney, Bachus, Baker, Ballenger, Barr, Barrett (NE), Bartlett, Barton, Bass, Bateman, Bereuter, Berry, Biggert, Bilbray, Bilirakis, Bishop, Bliley, Blunt, Boehlert, Boehner, Bonilla, Bono, Boyd, Brady (TX), Bryant, Burr, Buyer, Callahan, Calvert, Camp, Campbell, Canady, Cannon, Castle, Chabot, Chambliss, Chenoweth

- Coble, Coburn, Collins, Combest, Cook, Costello, Cox, Crane, Cubin, Cunningham, Davis (VA), Deal, DeFazio, DeLay, DeMint, Diaz-Balart, Dickey, Doolittle, Dreier, Duncan, Dunn, Ehlers, Ehrlich, Emerson, English, Everett, Ewing, Fletcher, Foley, Forbes, Fossella, Fowler, Frank (MA), Franks (NJ), Frelinghuysen, Gallegly, Ganske, Gekas, Gibbons, Gilchrest, Gillmor, Gilman, Goode, Goodlatte, Goodling, Goss, Graham, Granger, Green (WI), Greenwood, Gutknecht, Hansen, Hastings (WA), Hayes, Hayworth, Hefley, Herger, Hill (MT), Hilleary, Hobson, Hoekstra, Holden, Horn, Houghton, Hulshof, Hunter, Hutchinson, Hyde, Isakson, Istook, Jenkins, Johnson (CT), Johnson, Sam, Jones (NC), Kanjorski, Kasich, Kelly, King (NY), Kingston, Knollenberg, Kolbe, Kuykendall, LaHood, Largent, Latham, LaTourrette, Lazio, Leach, Lee, Lewis (CA), Lewis (KY), Linder, Lipinski, LoBiondo, Lucas (KY), Lucas (OK), Manzullo, McCarthy (NY), McCollum, McCrery, McHugh, McInnis, McIntosh, McIntyre, McKeon, Mica, Miller (FL), Miller, Gary, Miller, George, Minge, Mollohan, Moran (KS), Morella, Murtha, Myrick, Nethercutt, Ney, Northup, Norwood, Nussle, Ose, Owens, Oxley, Packard, Pastor, Paul, Pease, Peterson (MN), Peterson (PA), Petri, Phelps, Pickering, Pickett, Pitts, Pombo, Pomeroy, Porter, Portman, Pryce (OH), Quinn, Radanovich, Ramstad, Regula, Reynolds, Riley, Rivers, Rogan, Rogers, Rohrabacher, Ros-Lehtinen, Roukema, Royce, Ryan (WI), Ryun (KS), Salmon, Sanders, Sanford, Saxton, Scarborough, Schaffer, Schakowsky, Sensenbrenner, Sessions, Shadegg, Shaw, Shays, Sherwood, Shimkus, Shuster, Simpson, Skeen, Smith (MI), Smith (NJ), Souder, Spence, Stark, Stearns, Stenholm, Stump, Sununu, Sweeney, Talent, Tancredo, Tanner, Tauzin, Taylor (MS), Taylor (NC), Terry, Thomas, Thornberry, Thune, Tiahrt, Tierney, Toomey, Traficant, Upton, Visclosky, Walden, Walsh, Wamp, Watkins, Watts (OK), Weldon (FL), Weldon (PA), Weller, Whitfield, Wicker, Wilson, Wolf, Young (AK), Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—10

- Barcia, Brown (CA), Burton, Cooksey, Dingell, Hostettler, Metcalf, Pelosi, Smith (TX), Stupak

So the amendment in the nature of a substitute was not agreed to.

After some further time, The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. CAMP, Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 131, reported the concurrent resolution, as amended pursuant to said resolution, back to the House.

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

The question being put, Will the House agree to said concurrent resolution, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, announced that pursuant to clause 10 of rule XX the yeas and nays

were ordered, and the call was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the { Yeas 221
affirmative } Nays 208

¶29.14 [Roll No. 77]
YEAS—221

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| Ballenger | Goodlatte | Petri |
| Barr | Goodling | Pickering |
| Barrett (NE) | Goss | Pitts |
| Bartlett | Graham | Pombo |
| Barton | Granger | Porter |
| Bass | Green (WI) | Portman |
| Bateman | Greenwood | Pryce (OH) |
| Bereuter | Gutknecht | Radanovich |
| Biggert | Hall (TX) | Ramstad |
| Bilbray | Hansen | Regula |
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| Blunt | Hayes | Rogan |
| Boehlert | Hayworth | Rogers |
| Boehner | Hefley | Rohrabacher |
| Bonilla | Herger | Ros-Lehtinen |
| Bono | Hill (MT) | Roukema |
| Brady (TX) | Hilleary | Royce |
| Bryant | Hobson | Ryan (WI) |
| Burr | Hoekstra | Ryun (KS) |
| Buyer | Horn | Salmon |
| Callahan | Hostettler | Sanford |
| Calvert | Houghton | Saxton |
| Camp | Hulshof | Scarborough |
| Campbell | Hunter | Schaffer |
| Canady | Hutchinson | Sensenbrenner |
| Cannon | Hyde | Sessions |
| Castle | Isakson | Shadegg |
| Chabot | Istook | Shaw |
| Chambliss | Jenkins | Shays |
| Chenoweth | Johnson (CT) | Sherwood |
| Coble | Johnson, Sam | Shimkus |
| Coburn | Jones (NC) | Shuster |
| Collins | Kasich | Simpson |
| Combest | Kelly | Skeen |
| Condit | King (NY) | Smith (MI) |
| Cook | Kingston | Smith (NJ) |
| Cooksey | Knollenberg | Souder |
| Cox | Kolbe | Spence |
| Cramer | Kuykendall | Stearns |
| Crane | LaHood | Stump |
| Cubin | Largent | Sununu |
| Cunningham | Latham | Sweeney |
| Davis (VA) | LaTourette | Talent |
| Deal | Lazio | Tancredo |
| DeLay | Leach | Tauzin |
| DeMint | Lewis (CA) | Taylor (NC) |
| Diaz-Balart | Lewis (KY) | Terry |
| Dickey | Linder | Thomas |
| Doollittle | LoBiondo | Thornberry |
| Dreier | Lucas (OK) | Thune |
| Duncan | Manzullo | Tiahrt |
| Dunn | McCollum | Toomey |
| Ehlers | McCrery | Upton |
| Ehrlich | McHugh | Walden |
| Emerson | McInnis | Walsh |
| English | McIntosh | Wamp |
| Everett | McKeon | Watkins |
| Ewing | Metcalf | Watts (OK) |
| Fletcher | Mica | Weldon (FL) |
| Foley | Miller (FL) | Weldon (PA) |
| Forbes | Miller, Gary | Weller |
| Fossella | Moran (KS) | Whitfield |
| Fowler | Myrick | Wicker |
| Franks (NJ) | Nethercutt | Wilson |
| Frelinghuysen | Ney | Wolf |
| Galleghy | Northup | Young (AK) |
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NAYS—208

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| Abercrombie | Blagojevich | Clay |
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| Allen | Bonior | Clement |
| Andrews | Borski | Clyburn |
| Baird | Boswell | Conyers |
| Baldacci | Boucher | Costello |
| Baldwin | Boyd | Coyne |
| Barcia | Brady (CA) | Crowley |
| Barrett (WI) | Brown (PA) | Cummings |
| Becerra | Brown (FL) | Danner |
| Bentsen | Brown (OH) | Davis (FL) |
| Berkley | Capps | Davis (IL) |
| Berman | Capuano | DeFazio |
| Berry | Cardin | DeGette |
| Bishop | Carson | Delahunt |

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| DeLauro | Lantos | Quinn |
| Deutsch | Larson | Rahall |
| Dicks | Lee | Rangel |
| Dingell | Levin | Reyes |
| Dixon | Lewis (GA) | Rivers |
| Doggett | Lipinski | Rodriguez |
| Dooley | Lofgren | Roemer |
| Doyle | Lowey | Rothman |
| Edwards | Lucas (KY) | Roybal-Allard |
| Engel | Luther | Rush |
| Eshoo | Maloney (CT) | Sabo |
| Etheridge | Maloney (NY) | Sanchez |
| Evans | Markey | Sanders |
| Farr | Martinez | Sandlin |
| Fattah | Mascara | Sawyer |
| Filner | Matsui | Schakowsky |
| Ford | McCarthy (NY) | Scott |
| Frank (MA) | McCarthy (MO) | Serrano |
| Frost | McDermott | Sherman |
| Gejdenson | McGovern | Shows |
| Gephardt | McIntyre | Sisisky |
| Gonzalez | McKinney | Skelton |
| Gordon | McNulty | Slaughter |
| Green (TX) | Meehan | Smith (WA) |
| Gutierrez | Meeke (FL) | Snyder |
| Hall (OH) | Meeks (NY) | Spratt |
| Hastings (FL) | Menendez | Stabenow |
| Hill (IN) | Millender- | Stark |
| Hilliard | McDonald | Stenholm |
| Hinchoy | Miller, George | Strickland |
| Hinojosa | Minge | Tanner |
| Hoeffel | Mink | Tauscher |
| Holden | Moakley | Taylor (MS) |
| Holt | Mollohan | Thompson (CA) |
| Hoolley | Moore | Thompson (MS) |
| Hoyer | Moran (VA) | Thurman |
| Inslee | Morella | Tierney |
| Jackson (IL) | Murtha | Towns |
| Jackson-Lee | Nader | Trafficant |
| (TX) | Napolitano | Turner |
| Jefferson | Neal | Udall (CO) |
| John | Oberstar | Udall (NM) |
| Johnson, E. B. | Obey | Velazquez |
| Jones (OH) | Olver | Vento |
| Kanjorski | Ortiz | Visclosky |
| Kaptur | Owens | Waters |
| Kennedy | Pallone | Watt (NC) |
| Kildee | Pascrell | Waxman |
| Kilpatrick | Pastor | Weiner |
| Kind (WI) | Payne | Wexler |
| Klecicka | Peterson (MN) | Weygand |
| Klink | Phelps | Wise |
| Kucinich | Pickett | Woolsey |
| LaFalce | Pomeroy | Wu |
| Lampson | Price (NC) | Wynn |

NOT VOTING—5

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| Burton | Pelosi | Stupak |
| Paul | Smith (TX) | |

So the concurrent resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bill.

¶29.15 FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1141. An Act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 1141) "An Act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes," requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. STEVENS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. BOND, Mr. GORTON, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BURNS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CRAIG, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KYL, Mr. BYRD, Mr. INOUE, Mr.

HOLLINGS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. REID, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. DORGAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. DURBIN, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. Con. Res. 23. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

¶29.16 PERMISSION TO FILE REPORT

On motion of Mr. TAUZIN, by unanimous consent, the Committee on Commerce was granted permission until midnight on Friday, April 9, 1999, to file a report on the bill (H.R. 851) to require the Federal Communications Commission to establish improved predictive models for determining the availability of television broadcast signals.

¶29.17 PROVIDING FOR THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE TWO HOUSES

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, laid before the House the following privileged concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 23):

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate recesses or adjourns at the close of business on Thursday, March 25, 1999, Friday, March 26, 1999, Saturday, March 27, 1999, or Sunday, March 28, 1999, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or adjourned until noon on Monday, April 12, 1999, or until such time on that day as may be specified by its Majority Leader or his designee in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until noon on the second day after Members are notified to reassemble pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Thursday, March 25, 1999, or Friday, March 26, 1999, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Monday, April 12, 1999, for morning-hour debate, or until noon on the second day after Members are notified to reassemble pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the House, shall notify the Members of the Senate and House, respectively, to reassemble whenever, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

When said concurrent resolution was considered and agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said concurrent resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶29.18 APPOINTMENT OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE TO SIGN ENROLLMENTS

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 25, 1999.

I hereby appoint the Honorable CONSTANCE A. MORELLA or, if not available to perform