

those seniors coming to the U.S. Congress. It does not do us as policy-makers well for us to rely upon, as they say in the court of law, hearsay. It is important. Yours is hearsay, what you have heard in your district, and maybe what I am saying I am saying to you something that I heard in my district, we both know it is fact, but technically it is hearsay. The seniors are not here to tell either one of us.

So it is important then that if we are serious about reforming Medicare, which took some, I would say, some 65 years into the 20th century to be formulated, now when we try to reform it in such a major way, do we not owe the American public and owe this issue four weeks for hearings to decide it in the most effective and the best way? I cannot agree that cutting \$270 billion for a tax cut that the Republicans are offering would in any way assist us in reform.

Mr. HAYWORTH. Would the gentlewoman yield?

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. I yield to the gentleman from Arizona.

Mr. HAYWORTH. Mr. Speaker, a couple of points need to be made and let me clear it up without having hearings. A misconception seemed to be put forth here a second ago. I am certainly not suggesting, nor do I think anyone in this new majority is suggesting that seniors be compelled to leave the doctors under whose care they find themselves now to somehow sacrifice that physician-patient relationship. Nothing could be further from our intent.

Moreover, with reference to \$270 billion and somehow a tax cut for the rich, the gentlewoman from Texas certainly realizes that the Budget Committee, under the stewardship of the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. KASICH], worked very hard to make sure that those tax cuts were fully provided for in the budget plan and the road map and the glide path to a 7-year balanced budget. Moreover, even if the budget were balanced today, we would still have this threat of the Medicare Trust Fund.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. Reclaiming my time, and I thank the gentleman for his insight on this, but let me respectfully share with the American people that the \$270 billion tax cut has always been associated with the money that was going to be cut out of Medicare, plain and simple. Let me say to you that even those Republicans who no longer serve in government, Arthur Fleming, the health secretary, Health and Human Services Secretary under President Eisenhower, still going strong, has indicted the Republican Party and said he cannot believe that you would offer these proposals without allowing the American people, seniors in particular, to participate.

Mr. Speaker, what we are facing, and what I hope that we will engender, are calls from across this land, all of the States that are impacted by these draconian cuts. I hope that you all will get calls, and likewise in my office, de-

manding, if nothing else, a reasoned debate among the American people on this issue.

Might I say that we all will have to live with these cuts no matter what party we are in. We will have to live with them not so much because the Democrats were involved in cutting. That is not our posture. Our posture is to lay down before the bulldozer, but because our constituents will be harmed and hurt and it is probably going to be irreparable injury, and in a court of law, there are grand damages for that.

I would simply say to the gentleman what we will be facing in this Congress, without having proposed a national health reform program, we will not jointly be able to go to the American people and say that we in good conscience cut this for them 7 years, over \$4,000 in some instances, people having to make the choices between food and prescription drugs, and in joint support of that, the cuts in Medicaid, \$182 billion, and those indigent seniors who cannot get long-term care.

Mr. Speaker, I am reclaiming my time and I thank the gentleman for his interest, but the key is that those who are in long-term care needing Medicaid will likewise not have the right and not have the ability to have health care.

Let me just say one other point as we move toward closure. Can the gentleman not, or my colleagues that I have just heard my fellow freshmen that are Republicans, can they not deny that the population, the aging population is getting stronger, is living longer, and in fact, if you would analyze the trust fund and find out the real reason why there is a life span that is shortened each year is because people are living longer? We should be applauding that. We should be very, very enthusiastic that the gentleman from Arizona has a grandfather and many of us have our parents, my parents, alive and well because of Medicare.

Thirty years of Medicare, the healthiest population of Americans, and yet we are forced in this majority Congress of Republicans to stand up and tell the American senior citizens and those citizens who have to support senior citizens that we are going to cut them off at the knees and tell them that what is more important is the partisan debate, you are right, between Republicans and Democrats, rather than a reasoned set of hearings that would allow us to put forth programs to eliminate waste, fraud and abuse, to be able to work with the physician population, the hospital population, both private and public sector, the prescription or pharmaceutical industry and begin to analyze for real what we are doing or what we need to do to improve the delivery of services at a more efficient price, and not leave, and not leave that broken and bent body on the road we travel, unhealthy senior, left alone on the roadside seeking a simple

drink of water. What are we going to give them?

Mr. HAYWORTH. Will the gentlewoman yield?

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. I think my time is up and I am going to continue to reclaim it because I think this is an important point I want to make.

The sickest of our seniors, the sickest of our seniors will be left without care, without attention, and as the gentleman is willing to debate me now, when I ask him or can I ask him, as he goes and leaves the floor and dialogues with his colleagues tomorrow the simple question, would it not be better for America if we had these hearings to present your presentation, to allow the debate on what I am offering to say, but most of all, to listen to the multitude of those who will be most impacted by these draconian cuts?

Mr. HAYWORTH. The gentlewoman asked a question. Would she yield for an answer?

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. I will yield for just a moment because I want to conclude.

Mr. HAYWORTH. Simple point. If the gentlewoman can explain to me how an increase over seven years in benefits per beneficiary of \$2,000 can be a cut, going from \$4,800 this year to \$6,700 in 2002, where is the mathematical rationale to show me that that is the draconian cut that the gentlewoman has talked about so often this evening?

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. I would be happy to show you what the draconian cut results in because it is very clear, and the reason why it is very clear is because it is evident that you are dealing with provisions A and B, and obviously that masquerading of those particular sections are where the Republicans are suggesting to the American people that they are benefiting the beneficiaries.

These numbers clearly suggest that those citizens will be engaged in higher premiums, clearly will be paying higher premiums because of the large cuts that the Republicans are proposing. Where are the hearings? Where are the voices of the senior citizens? Let us resolve this on behalf of those citizens to make a whole colloquy for all Americans.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. SERRANO) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BONIOR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GEJDENSON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MILLER of California, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ABERCROMBIE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FARR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. VENTO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today. VerDate 20-SEP-95

Mr. OWENS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MONTGOMERY, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. SLAUGHTER, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. JACKSON-LEE, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HAYWORTH) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today and on September 21.

Mr. HORN, for 5 minutes, on September 21.

Mr. SALMON, for 5 minutes, on September 21.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. SERRANO) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. BERMAN in two instances.

Mr. COYNE.

Mr. OWENS.

Mrs. SCHROEDER.

Mr. FOGLIETTA.

Mr. KLECZKA.

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.

Mr. COLEMAN.

Mr. HAMILTON.

Mr. MONTGOMERY.

Mr. BONIOR in two instances.

Mr. STARK.

Mr. PETE GEREN of Texas.

Mr. CONYERS.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HAYWORTH) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. GALLEGLY.

Mr. QUINN.

Mr. PACKARD

Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas.

Mr. ZELIFF in two instances.

Mr. HORN in two instances.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HAYWORTH) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. LUTHER.

Mr. WAXMAN.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 402. An act to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. HAYWORTH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 midnight), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, September 21, 1995, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from

the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1449. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act which occurred at the 502d Air Base Wing at Maxwell Air Force Base, AL, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

1450. A letter from the Secretary, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license agreement for the transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Thailand (Transmittal No. DTC-45-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1451. A letter from the U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting notification that the President proposes to exercise his authority under section 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the "Act"), to authorize the furnishing of defense articles and services to Rwanda, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2364(a)(1); to the Committee on International Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. BLILEY; Committee on Commerce. H.R. 1020. A bill to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982; with an amendment (Rept. 10-4-254, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Under clause 5 of rule X, the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 1020. The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure discharged.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL PURSUANT TO RULE X

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X, the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 1020. Referral to the Committees on Resources and the Budget extended for a period ending not later than October 20, 1995.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. DOOLITTLE (for himself, Mr. STUMP, Mr. BRYANT of Tennessee, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. DORNAN, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. EMERSON, Mr. UNDERWOOD, and Mr. SHADEGG):

H.R. 2367. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to further protect and enhance the public interest by ensuring an orderly transition from chlorofluorocarbons [CFC's] and halons to substitute compounds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LAFALCE:

H.R. 2368. A bill to establish audit authority in the U.S. General Accounting Office

over the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. UNDERWOOD (for himself and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA):

H.R. 2369. A bill to provide for the development of the fishery resource within the exclusive economic zone of the insular areas of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. STOCKMAN:

H.J. Res. 107. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding congressional pay and pensions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PORTER (for himself, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. HYDE, and Mr. HOYER):

H. Con. Res. 102. Concurrent resolution concerning the emancipation of the Iranian Baha'i community; to the Committee on International Relations.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 38: Mr. BASS.

H.R. 89: Mr. NEUMANN.

H.R. 156: Mr. FRAZER, Mr. BLUTE, and Mr. STEARNS.

H.R. 325: Mr. HOYER.

H.R. 528: Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. STOCKMAN, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. WOLF, Mr. BALLENGER, and Mr. HALL of Texas.

H.R. 580: Mr. JONES.

H.R. 598: Mr. HEFNER, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. MINGE, Mr. REED, Mr. MCCOLLUM, and Mr. QUINN.

H.R. 764: Miss COLLINS of Michigan.

H.R. 789: Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 833: Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas.

H.R. 885: Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MANTON, Mr. NADLER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. OWENS, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. ENGEL, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. WALSH, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MCINTOSH, and Mr. LAFALCE.

H.R. 924: Mr. KILDEE.

H.R. 1020: Mr. WAMP, Mr. HOKE, Mr. BATEMAN, and Mr. HASTINGS of Washington.

H.R. 1023: Mr. MCHUGH and Ms. MOLINARI.

H.R. 1133: Ms. DANNER, Mr. SOUDER, and Mr. HANCOCK.

H.R. 1136: Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. HORN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO.

H.R. 1202: Mr. COBLE and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

H.R. 1386: Mr. NEY, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. COX.

H.R. 1400: Mr. SANDERS.

H.R. 1488: Mr. STUMP, Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. HAYES, Mr. BUCHER, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. NEUMANN, Mr. SPENCE, and Mr. LAUGHLIN

H.R. 1591: Mr. LANTOS.

H.R. 1662: Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. JOHNSON of Florida, Mr. BISHOP, and Mr. NUSSLE.

H.R. 1753: Mr. PICKETT, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. BREWSTER, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DICKEY, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FARR, Mr. FAZIO of California, Ms. FURSE, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. POMBO, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. BAKER of California, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mrs. KENNELLY, and Mr. RAHALL.

H.R. 1776: Mr. ZELIFF, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. HUTCHINSON, and Mr. PORTMAN.

H.R. 1801: Mr. HASTERT.

H.R. 1818: Mr. HANSEN and Mr. PARKER.

H.R. 1821: Mr. METCALF and Mr. LIVINGSTON.