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Metcalf
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Miller (FL)
Miller, Gary
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)
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Nethercutt
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Oxley
Packard
Paul

Pease
Peterson (PA)
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Pickering
Pitts
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Porter
Portman
Pryce (OH)
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Radanovich
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Regula
Reynolds
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Rogers
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Roukema
Royce
Ryan (WI)
Ryun (KS)
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Taylor (NC)
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Tauscher
Taylor (MS)
Thompson (CA)
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Thurman
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Traficant
Turner
Udall (CO)
Udall (NM)

Velázquez
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NOT VOTING—2

McKinney Scarborough
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Mrs. ROUKEMA changed her vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agrees to the report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2606) "An Act making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes."

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 104-1, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, announces the joint appointment of the following individuals as members of the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance—Alan V. Friedman, of California; Susan B. Robfogel, of New York; and Barbara Childs Wallace, of Mississippi.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, this afternoon I recorded my vote by electronic device in favor of the rule to consider the Quality Care for the Uninsured Act, H.R. 2990. Subsequently and unexpectedly, that vote was reordered due to a failure with the electronic equipment, and I was not advised of this in time to return to the Capitol to recast my vote.

BIPARTISAN CONSENSUS MANAGED CARE IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1999

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SHIMKUS). Pursuant to House Resolution 323 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 2723.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole

House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2723) to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage, with Mr. HASTINGS of Washington in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered as having been read the first time.

Under the rule, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BLILEY), the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. DINGELL), the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. GOODLING), the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. CLAY), the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARCHER), and the gentleman from New York (Mr. RANGEL) will each control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BLILEY).

Mr. BLILEY. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself 6 minutes.

Mr. Chairman, over 5 years ago, Republicans in Congress stood efficient against a very bad idea, an attempted Government takeover of our Nation's health care system. Back then, we opposed President Clinton's vision of health care reform primarily because of the negative effects his proposal would have on employers and the negative effects it would have on consumers' ability to choose their own physicians.

Mr. Chairman, we won that debate over how to best reform our health care system. We won that debate because the public agreed that Government micromanagement of our health care system was wrong. The public agreed that imposing expensive new burdens on employers would result in an increase in premiums and would cause businesses to drop their health care coverage.

Now today we are faced with another debate about the direction of our Nation's health care system. Mr. Chairman, once again, we must decide whether we want to move toward a Government-controlled health care system or instead enact reasonable protections for patients that maintain quality without driving up costs. I stand here today with a firm hope that we will prevail in this fight similar to the way we did 5 years ago.

Mr. Chairman, I do not think that anyone would question my long-standing commitment to ensuring that the United States maintains its high quality health care system and that Americans of all walks of life have access to that system.

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Unfortunately, I believe that H.R. 2723, the Norwood-Dingell bill, is misdirected in several fundamental ways and ultimately will harm the very people it intends to help.

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Blumenauer
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Boucher
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Brady (PA)
Brown (FL)
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Davis (FL)
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Pelosi
Peterson (MN)
Phelps
Pickett
Pomeroy
Price (NC)
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