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Turner
Udall (CO)
Udall (NM)
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Velazquez
Vento
Visclosky

NOT VOTING—9

Barton
Boyer
Jefferson

Obey
Riley
Scarborough

Thomas
Walsh
Wu

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said resolution, as amended, was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

103.16 H. RES. 306—UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, announced the further unfinished business to be the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 306) expressing the desire of the House of Representatives to not spend any of the budget surplus created by social security receipts and to continue to retire the debt held by the public.

The question being put, Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said resolution?

The vote was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the affirmative	Yeas	417
	Nays	2
	Answered present	6

103.17 [Roll No. 456] YEAS—417

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Allen
Andrews
Archer
Army
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Baird
Baker
Baldacci
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Bateman
Becerra
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Brady (TX)
Brown (FL)
Brown (OH)
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Canady
Cannon
Capps
Cardin
Carson
Castle
Chabot
Chambliss
Chenoweth

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Davis (VA)
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DeLaunt
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DeMint

Vitter	Weiner	Wilson
Walden	Weldon (FL)	Wise
Walsh	Weldon (PA)	Wolf
Wamp	Weller	Woolsey
Waters	Wexler	Wynn
Watkins	Weygand	Young (AK)
Watts (OK)	Whitfield	Young (FL)
Waxman	Wicker	

NAYS—2

Nadler Sabo

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—6

Blumenauer	Frank (MA)	Schakowsky
Capuano	Houghton	Watt (NC)

NOT VOTING—8

Gutierrez	Riley	Thomas
Hoyer	Scarborough	Wu
Obey	Tancredo	

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

¶103.18 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Sherman Williams, one of his secretaries.

¶103.19 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2506

Mr. GOSS, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 299):

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2506) to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Commerce. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Commerce now printed in the bill. Each section of the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. No amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII and except pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. Each amendment so printed may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee and shall be considered as read. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be 15 minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Mem-

ber may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommend with or without instructions.

When said resolution was considered. After debate,

On motion of Mr. GOSS, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

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

¶103.20 HEALTH CARE POLICY AND RESEARCH

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, pursuant to House Resolution 299 and rule XVIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2506) to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. PEASE as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MCHUGH, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. QUINN, Acting Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 299, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee.

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

The following amendment, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Health Research and Quality Act of 1999".

SEC. 2. AMENDMENT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title IX of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 299 et seq.) is amended to read as follows:

"TITLE IX—AGENCY FOR HEALTH RESEARCH AND QUALITY

"PART A—ESTABLISHMENT AND GENERAL DUTIES

"SEC. 901. MISSION AND DUTIES.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established within the Public Health Service an agency to be known as the Agency for Health Research and Quality, which shall be headed by a director appointed by the Secretary. The Secretary shall carry out this title acting through the Director.

"(b) MISSION.—The purpose of the Agency is to enhance the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of health services, and access to such services, through the establishment of a broad base of scientific research and through the promotion of improvements in clinical and health system practices, including the prevention of diseases and other health conditions. The Agency shall promote

health care quality improvement by conducting and supporting—

"(1) research that develops and presents scientific evidence regarding all aspects of health, including—

"(A) the development and assessment of methods for enhancing patient participation in their own care and for facilitating shared patient-physician decision-making;

"(B) the outcomes, effectiveness, and cost-effectiveness of health care practices, including preventive measures and long-term care;

"(C) existing and innovative technologies;

"(D) the costs and utilization of, and access to health care;

"(E) the ways in which health care services are organized, delivered, and financed and the interaction and impact of these factors on the quality of patient care;

"(F) methods for measuring quality and strategies for improving quality; and

"(G) ways in which patients, consumers, purchasers, and practitioners acquire new information about best practices and health benefits, the determinants and impact of their use of this information;

"(2) the synthesis and dissemination of available scientific evidence for use by patients, consumers, practitioners, providers, purchasers, policy makers, and educators; and

"(3) initiatives to advance private and public efforts to improve health care quality.

"(c) REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO SPECIAL POPULATIONS.—There is established within the Agency an office to be known as the Office on Special Populations, which shall be headed by an official appointed by the Director. The Director, acting through such Office, shall conduct and support research and evaluations, and support demonstration projects, with respect to—

"(1) the delivery of health services in inner-city areas and in rural areas (including frontier areas);

"(2) health services for low-income groups, and minority groups;

"(3) the health of children;

"(4) the elderly; and

"(5) people with special health care needs, including disabilities, chronic care and end-of-life health care.

"SEC. 902. GENERAL AUTHORITIES.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out section 901(b), the Director shall conduct and support research, evaluations, and training, support demonstration projects, research networks, and multi-disciplinary centers, provide technical assistance, and disseminate information on health care and on systems for the delivery of such care, including activities with respect to—

"(1) the quality, effectiveness, efficiency, appropriateness and value of health care services;

"(2) quality measurement and improvement;

"(3) the outcomes, cost, cost-effectiveness, and use of health care services and access to such services;

"(4) clinical practice, including primary care and practice-oriented research;

"(5) health care technologies, facilities, and equipment;

"(6) health care costs, productivity, organization, and market forces;

"(7) health promotion and disease prevention, including clinical preventive services;

"(8) health statistics, surveys, database development, and epidemiology; and

"(9) medical liability.

"(b) HEALTH SERVICES TRAINING GRANTS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director may provide training grants in the field of health services research related to activities authorized under subsection (a), to include pre- and post-doctoral fellowships and training programs, young investigator awards, and