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S. CON. RES. 58

Expressing the sense of the Congress that any government mandated health care reform should be included on budget and should be subject to the same budget rules as other tax and spending measures.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 26 (legislative day, JANUARY 25), 1994

Mr. GREGG submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that any government mandated health care reform should be included on budget and should be subject to the same budget rules as other tax and spending measures.

Whereas, the Administration's proposed health care reform plan would constitute the largest expansion of Federal entitlements in history;

Whereas, the proposed health care premiums would be mandatory taxes;

Whereas, the Administration's proposed health care reform plan would constitute a massive tax increase;

Whereas, the costs of any health care reform plan that is kept off budget would be difficult to control and account for;

Whereas, placing health care reform off budget means that it would be exempt from annual budget reviews and would have no meaningful restraints on growth;

Whereas, the Office of Management and Budget's own risk tables, and past and present entitlement growth trends show that the Administration's proposed health care reform plan could increase Federal budget deficits by up to \$800 billion by the year 2000;

Whereas, the Federal Government has already run up massive unfunded liabilities outside the budget process; and

Whereas, the attempt to place the health care reform plan off budget is a move to hide the true cost of the plan from the American public: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that any
3 government mandated health care reform should be in-
4 cluded on budget and should be subject to the same budget
5 rules as other tax and spending measures.

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