

103^D CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. CON. RES. 59

Expressing the sense of the Congress that any Federal Government mandated health care reform should be on-budget.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 2 (legislative day, JANUARY 25), 1994

Mr. BURNS (for himself, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. LOTT, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BROWN, Mr. WALLOP, and Mr. MCCAIN) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred jointly pursuant to the order of August 4, 1977, to the Committees on the Budget and Governmental Affairs, with instructions that if one committee reports, the other committee have thirty days to report or be discharged

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that any Federal Government mandated health care reform should be on-budget.

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 increased Federal budget deficits by up to \$800,000,000,000 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 Federal Government mandated health care reform should
- 4 be on-budget.

○