

nongroup or individual market. Right now, you only have this tax break if you're an employee of a corporation. That is not fair to all Americans. Everyone should have that same tax break.

The beauty of that is that you would have a tax advantaged purchase price on your health care premiums and you would own that premium. It wouldn't have to come to you through your job, and then it would be portable. If you go to another job, if you transfer, if you lose your job, you don't lose your coverage. It goes with you when you buy it yourself. That is why that point is so important.

Number two, coverage is truly owned by the patients. Like I said, this gives greater choice and portability and it expands the individual market. We can also, to accomplish this goal, create pooling mechanisms such as association health plans. I have friends who are Realtors in the real estate industry. They would love to form a national association of real estate agents and brokers and employees all over this country. That association would have tremendous buying power and economies of scale, but right now, that is prohibited by law. That is a commonsense solution that Republicans have offered and, I dare say, would have bipartisan support by this body.

And thirdly, we need to rein in out-of-control costs, and 3400 does that as well. It reforms the medical liability system. It establishes administrative health care tribunals—you could call them health courts—in each State and adds affirmative defense through provider-established best practice measures. That would be a defense if you're charged with some kind of malpractice as a provider. This would encourage, also, the speedy resolution of claims and would cap noneconomic damages.

So, Mr. Speaker, let me just conclude by saying that there are reforms that the Republicans have offered that would be not a massive overhaul of one-sixth of our Nation's economy and that would incorporate free market mechanisms and procedures that the American people would be much more comfortable in. If you look at the polling, Americans do not want a massive takeover of health care.

At this point, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. SKELTON) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1075, as amended.

The question was taken.
The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

suspending the rules and passing H.R. 4887, by the yeas and nays;

agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal, by the yeas and nays;

suspending the rules and agreeing to H. Res. 1040, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

TRICARE AFFIRMATION ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4887, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4887, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 403, nays 0, not voting 27, as follows:

[Roll No. 152]

YEAS—403

Ackerman	Buchanan	Davis (TN)
Aderholt	Burgess	DeFazio
Adler (NJ)	Burton (IN)	DeGette
Akin	Butterfield	DeLahunt
Alexander	Buyer	DeLauro
Altmire	Calvert	Dent
Andrews	Camp	Diaz-Balart, L.
Arcuri	Campbell	Diaz-Balart, M.
Austria	Cantor	Dicks
Baca	Cao	Dingell
Bachmann	Capito	Doggett
Bachus	Capps	Donnelly (IN)
Baird	Capuano	Doyle
Baldwin	Cardoza	Dreier
Barrett (SC)	Carnahan	Driehaus
Barrow	Carney	Duncan
Bartlett	Carson (IN)	Edwards (MD)
Barton (TX)	Carter	Edwards (TX)
Bean	Cassidy	Ehlers
Becerra	Castle	Ellsworth
Berkley	Castor (FL)	Emerson
Berman	Chaffetz	Engel
Berry	Chandler	Eshoo
Biggett	Childers	Etheridge
Bilbray	Chu	Fallin
Bilirakis	Clarke	Farr
Bishop (GA)	Cleaver	Fattah
Bishop (NY)	Clyburn	Filner
Bishop (UT)	Coble	Flake
Blackburn	Coffman (CO)	Fleming
Bocchieri	Cohen	Forbes
Boehner	Cole	Foster
Bonner	Conaway	Fox
Bono Mack	Connolly (VA)	Frank (MA)
Boozman	Conyers	Franks (AZ)
Boren	Cooper	Frelinghuysen
Boswell	Costa	Fudge
Boucher	Costello	Galleghy
Boustany	Courtney	Garamendi
Boyd	Crenshaw	Garrett (NJ)
Brady (PA)	Crowley	Gerlach
Brady (TX)	Cuellar	Giffords
Brale	Culberson	Gingrey (GA)
Bright	Cummings	Gohmert
Broun (GA)	Dahlkemper	Gonzalez
Brown (SC)	Davis (AL)	Goodlatte
Brown, Corrine	Davis (CA)	Gordon (TN)
Brown-Waite,	Davis (IL)	Granger
Ginny	Davis (KY)	Graves

Grayson	Markey (CO)	Roybal-Allard
Green, Al	Marshall	Royce
Griffith	Matsui	Ruppersberger
Guthrie	McCarthy (CA)	Rush
Gutierrez	McCarthy (NY)	Ryan (OH)
Hall (NY)	McCaul	Ryan (WI)
Halvorson	McClintock	Salazar
Hare	McCollum	Sánchez, Linda T.
Harman	McCotter	Scalise
Harper	McDermott	Schakowsky
Hastings (FL)	McGovern	Schauer
Hastings (WA)	McHenry	Schiff
Heinrich	McIntyre	Schmidt
Heller	McKeon	Schock
Hensarling	McMahon	Schrader
Herger	McMorris	Schwartz
Herseth Sandlin	Rodgers	Scott (GA)
Higgins	McNerney	Scott (VA)
Hill	Meek (FL)	Sensenbrenner
Himes	Melancon	Serrano
Hinojosa	Mica	Sessions
Hirono	Michaud	Sestak
Hodes	Miller (FL)	Shadegg
Honda	Miller (MI)	Shea-Porter
Hoyer	Miller (NC)	Sherman
Hunter	Miller, Gary	Shimkus
Inglis	Miller, George	Shuler
Inslie	Minnick	Shuster
Israel	Mitchell	Sires
Issa	Moore (KS)	Skelton
Jackson (IL)	Moore (WI)	Slaughter
Jackson Lee	Moran (KS)	Smith (NE)
(TX)	Moran (VA)	Smith (NJ)
Jenkins	Murphy (CT)	Smith (TX)
Johnson (GA)	Murphy (NY)	Smith (WA)
Johnson (IL)	Murphy, Patrick	Snyder
Johnson, E. B.	Murphy, Tim	Souder
Johnson, Sam	Myrick	Space
Jones	Napolitano	Speier
Jordan (OH)	Neal (MA)	Spratt
Kagen	Neugebauer	Stearns
Kanjorski	Nunes	Stupak
Kaptur	Nye	Sullivan
Kennedy	Oberstar	Sutton
Kildee	Obey	Tanner
Kilpatrick (MI)	Olson	Taylor
Kilroy	Olver	Teague
Kind	Ortiz	Terry
King (IA)	Owens	Thompson (CA)
King (NY)	Pallone	Thompson (MS)
Kingston	Pascarell	Thompson (PA)
Kirk	Pastor (AZ)	Thornberry
Kirkpatrick (AZ)	Paul	Tiahrt
Kissell	Paulsen	Tiberi
Klein (FL)	Pence	Tierney
Kline (MN)	Perlmutter	Titus
Kosmas	Petriello	Tonko
Kratovil	Peters	Tsongas
Kucinich	Peterson	Turner
Lamborn	Petri	Upton
Lance	Pingree (ME)	Van Hollen
Langevin	Pitts	Velázquez
Larsen (WA)	Platts	Visclosky
Larson (CT)	Poe (TX)	Walden
Latham	Polis (CO)	Walz
Latta	Pomeroy	Wamp
Lee (CA)	Posey	Wasserman
Lee (NY)	Price (GA)	Schultz
Levin	Price (NC)	Waters
Lewis (CA)	Putnam	Watson
Lewis (GA)	Quigley	Watt
Linder	Radanovich	Waxman
Lipinski	Rahall	Weiner
LoBiondo	Rangel	Welch
Loeback	Rehberg	Westmoreland
Lowe	Reichert	Whitfield
Lucas	Reyes	Wilson (OH)
Luetkemeyer	Rodriguez	Wilson (SC)
Luján	Roe (TN)	Wittman
Lummis	Rogers (AL)	Wolf
Lungren, Daniel	Rogers (KY)	Woolsey
E.	Rogers (MI)	Wu
Lynch	Rohrabacher	Yarmuth
Mack	Rooney	Young (AK)
Maffei	Ros-Lehtinen	Young (FL)
Maloney	Roskam	
Manzullo	Ross	
Marchant	Rothman (NJ)	

NOT VOTING—27

Blumenaucr	Hinchey	Mollohan
Blunt	Hoekstra	Nader (NY)
Clay	Holden	Payne
Deal (GA)	Holt	Richardson
Ellison	LaTourette	Sanchez, Loretta
Fortenberry	Lofgren, Zoe	Sarbanes
Green, Gene	Markey (MA)	Simpson
Grijalva	Matheson	Stark
Hall (TX)	Meeks (NY)	Towns