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Reconciliation Update

The Senate continued its consideration of the GOP's budget reconciliation package last week. The Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee released its portion of the legislative text on Tuesday, which primarily focused on student loans but also included a few health proposals related to Affordable Care Act subsidies and health plan abortion coverage. Legislative text from the Finance Committee has not yet been released but will contain the bill's remaining health-related provisions, including any proposed changes to the version of the bill passed by the House of Representatives last month. Efforts are ongoing to ensure the **One Big Beautiful Bill Act** has enough support for passage and complies with the Byrd rule and the chamber's requirements for budget reconciliation. Floor consideration is expected to begin the week of June 23, with the goal of enacting the bill before July 4.

It was reported last week that HELP Committee Chairman Bill Cassidy, MD (R-La.) is circulating a measure that would codify a most-favored-nation adjacent policy for inclusion in the budget reconciliation package. Cassidy's proposal would allow the Medicare program to claw back money from pharmaceutical manufacturers that sell their products to other wealthy nations at a price lower than is available in the U.S. The policy would apply to the 50 drugs that cost Medicare the most money, to be evaluated every three years. The amount of money recouped would be based on the gross domestic product (GDP) of the other countries – those with a nominal GDP that is not less than 3% of the U.S. It remains unclear how much support Cassidy has garnered for his bill.

Thirty-eight House Republicans led by Budget Committee Vice Chair Lloyd Smucker (R-Pa.) sent a <u>letter</u> to Senate Majority Leader John Thune (R-S.D.) on Tuesday stating that any additional tax cuts added to the reconciliation bill by the Senate "must be matched dollar-for-dollar by real, enforceable spending

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reductions." The letter warns against the use of "budget gimmicks" and accounting tactics like timing shifts to reduce the cost of the package. Republicans can only lose three votes in either chamber and still pass the bill along party lines.

House Republicans finalized and adopted revisions to H.R. 1 last week to keep the legislation in compliance with

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the Senate's rules for budget reconciliation. The changes were passed in a mostly party line 213-207 vote on Wednesday. They do not impact the health-related provisions of the measure.

House Passes Trump Administration's Proposed Funding Rescissions

The House of Representatives cleared the White House's \$9.4 billion rescissions request last week in a 214-212 vote. Republicans Brian Fitzpatrick (Pa.), Mark Amodei (Nev.), Mike Turner (Ohio), and Nicole Malliotakis (N.Y.) voted against the bill. The rescissions package includes \$900 million in previously approved congressional funding for global health programs. The bill would reduce funding for the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), in addition to cuts to other HIV/AIDS, family planning, and reproductive health initiatives. The legislation will now be sent to the Senate for consideration, where it will only require a simple majority vote for passage. Several Republican senators have raised concerns about the cut to PEPFAR, prompting conversations on Capitol Hill about the complicated process for amending the rescissions request. Congress must act on the request within 45 days before the administration would be required to spend the funds.

RFK Jr. Fires Entire Vaccine Advisory Panel

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary (HHS) Robert F. Kennedy Jr. fired all 17 members of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) last week. ACIP is an independent panel responsible for advising the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on vaccines and making recommendations that determine insurance coverage of the shots. It is generally regarded as the most influential of the four external government bodies that advise federal agencies on vaccine policy.

"A clean sweep is needed to reestablish public confidence in vaccine science," Kennedy said in an opinion piece published in the Wall Street Journal. The HHS Secretary has long accused ACIP members of having conflicts of interest and being too influenced by industry, but he pledged to maintain the panel without changes during his confirmation process to secure the vote of Sen. Bill Cassidy, MD (R-La.). "Of course, now the fear is that the ACIP will be filled up with people who know nothing about vaccines except suspicion," Cassidy wrote in a post on X, stating that he would continue to talk with Secretary Kennedy to ensure this is not the case. Cassidy later clarified that the previous assurance he received from Kennedy was related to the ACIP process rather than who sits on the panel.

ACIP members, who are appointed to four-year terms, meet three times a year to review data on vaccines and vote on updates to the CDC's vaccine schedule. While the CDC director has the authority to overrule ACIP recommendations, such occurrence is rare. ACIP is next scheduled to meet June 25-27; an HHS spokesperson stated that the meeting will continue as scheduled with new membership. Kennedy has pledged to bring in "highly credentialed physicians" and "not anti-vaxxers" to fill the committee. He has so far announced the names of eight new ACIP members:

- Joseph R. Hibbeln, MD, psychiatrist and neuroscientist
- Martin Kulldorff, MD, PhD, biostatistician and epidemiologist
- Retsef Levi, PhD, Professor of Operations Management at the MIT Sloan School of Management
- Robert W. Malone, MD, physician-scientist and biochemist
- Cody Meissner, MD, Professor of Pediatrics at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth
- James Pagano, MD, emergency medicine physician
- Vicky Pebsworth, OP, PhD, RN, who holds a doctorate in public health and nursing
- Michael A. Ross, MD, Clinical Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at George Washington University and Virginia Commonwealth University

Concerns have been raised that the reconstituted panel already includes several vaccine critics, including people who have specifically questioned the safety of mRNA vaccines and the childhood vaccine schedule more broadly.

Grassley, Wyden Release Report on OPO Oversight

Senate Finance Committee member Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) and Ranking Member Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) released a report titled **Operation Transplant: Examining the Need for Oversight in the Organ Donation System** last week. The report addresses two issues of long-standing concern to the committee related to the recovery of pancreata for research, which is counted toward an organ procurement organization's (OPO) recertification, and the amount of oversight and transparency over conflicts of interest among OPO leaders and governing board members. The report details an 850% increase in the total number of pancreata recovered for research without reports of a clear corresponding research benefit, and recommends that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) further clarify the requirements and expectations of OPOs reporting pancreata to be counted toward certification or recertification. Regarding CMS's conflicts of interest policy, the lawmakers suggest that the agency further clarify the requirements and expectations of OPOs to make clear that OPO governing boards and medical advisory boards, as well as CMS surveyors, should monitor actual and potential conflicts of interest.

GOP Rep. Mark Green, Emergency Physician, to Retire from Congress

Rep. Mark Green, MD (R-Tenn.), chair of the House Homeland Security Committee, plans to resign from Congress. He announced last week that he has accepted a position in the private sector. Green notified GOP leadership that he would vacate his seat after the next vote on the budget reconciliation package in the House of Representatives. Upon Green's resignation, the chamber will have 219 Republicans and 212 Democrats. Tennessee Governor Bill Lee (R) is required to order a special election within 10 days of Green's resignation, set a date for primary elections to occur within 55 to 60 days, and schedule a general election to take place within 100 to 107 days.

HHS No. 2 Sworn In

Jim O'Neill was sworn in as Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) last week. O'Neill served at HHS during the George W. Bush administration and is the former CEO of the Thiel Foundation. As the second-in-command at HHS, O'Neill will be responsible for managing the department's day to day operations. The Senate is scheduled to vote on the nomination of Gary Andres to serve as Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services on Monday.

MACPAC Releases June Report to Congress

The Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Committee released its June Report to Congress last week. MACPAC's latest report makes recommendations on transitions from pediatric to adult care for Medicaid-covered children and youth with special health care needs, considers appropriate access to residential behavioral health treatment services for children, describes findings from the Commission's analytic work on access to medications for opioid use disorder in Medicaid, provides an overview on the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly, and looks at self-direction for Medicaid home- and community-based services. The full report can be found <u>here</u>.

Upcoming Congressional Hearings and Markups

House Appropriations subcommittee markup of Fiscal Year 2026 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Bill; 5:00 pm.; July 21

House Appropriations full committee markup of Fiscal Year 2026 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Bill; 10:00 a.m.; July 24

Hart Health Strategies Inc. Recently Introduced Health Legislation

H.R.3826 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes outpatient self-management training services, to require the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation to test the provision of virtual diabetes outpatient self-management training services, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Schrier, Kim [Rep.-D-WA-8]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.3823 — To prevent the illegal sale of firearms, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Quigley, Mike [Rep.-D-IL-5]; Committees: House - Judiciary

H.R.3821 — To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require the label of a drug intended for human use to identify each ingredient in such drug that is, or is derived directly or indirectly from, a major food allergen or a gluten-containing grain, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Morrison, Kelly [Rep.-D-MN-3]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.3812 — To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the collection of a health care copayment by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from a veteran under certain conditions attributable to a failure of the Department of Veterans Affairs to process certain information within applicable timeliness standards, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Gray, Adam [Rep.-D-CA-13]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.3808 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to mental health services under the Medicare program; Sponsor: Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [Rep.-R-PA-1]; Committees: House - Ways and Means; Energy and Commerce

H.R.3807 — To authorize the Secretary of Defense to procure software and data as a service to support the development of artificial intelligence systems, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Fallon, Pat [Rep.-R-TX-4]; Committees: House - Armed Services

H.Res.484 — Expressing support for the recognition of "Hidradenitis Suppurativa Awareness Week"; Sponsor: Dingell, Debbie [Rep.-D-MI-6]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

S.1989 — A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to increase transparency and expand coverage options with respect to home and community-based services, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Schmitt, Eric [Sen.-R-MO]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.1996 — A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve coverage of audiology services under the Medicare program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Warren, Elizabeth [Sen.-D-MA]; Committees: Senate – Finance

H.R.3833 — To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the program of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide comprehensive assistance for family caregivers of eligible veterans, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Barrett, Tom [Rep.-R-MI-7]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.3839 — To codify Executive Order 14155 (relating to withdrawing the United States from the World Health Organization); Sponsor: Burchett, Tim [Rep.-R-TN-2]; Committees: House - Foreign Affairs; Armed Services; Intelligence (Permanent Select); Energy and Commerce

H.R.3841 — To enhance the cybersecurity of the Healthcare and Public Health Sector; Sponsor: Crow, Jason [Rep.-D-CO-6]; Committees: House - Homeland Security; Energy and Commerce

S.Res.270 — A resolution designating June 6, 2025, as National Naloxone Awareness Day; Sponsor: Scott, Rick [Sen.-R-FL]; Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

S.2004 — A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to issue guidance on best practices for screening and treatment of congenital syphilis under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Heinrich, Martin [Sen.-D-NM]; Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

S.2005 — A bill to improve the Institutional Development Award program of the National Institutes of Health; Sponsor: Hyde-Smith, Cindy [Sen.-R-MS]; Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

S.2008 — A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to prohibit Medicaid and CHIP funding for gender transition procedures; Sponsor: Cornyn, John [Sen.-R-TX]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2011 — A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure coverage of mental and behavioral health services furnished through telehealth; Sponsor: Cassidy, Bill [Sen.-R-LA]; Committees: Senate – Finance

H.Res.495 — Supporting the designation of the week of June 9 through June 15, 2025, as "National Men's Health Week"; Sponsor: Carter, Troy A. [Rep.-D-LA-2]; Committees: House - Oversight and Government Reform

H.R.3855 — To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit smoking on the premises of any facility of the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Dunn, Neal P. [Rep.-R-FL-2]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.3863 — To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish annual mental health consultations to certain veterans, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Budzinski, Nikki [Rep.-D-IL-13]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.3864 — To amend title XI of the Social Security Act to prohibit the use of quality-adjusted life years and similar measures in coverage and payment determinations under Federal health care programs; Sponsor: Cammack, Kat [Rep.-R-FL-3]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.3866 — To require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to issue guidance on best practices for screening and treatment of congenital syphilis under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Ciscomani, Juan [Rep.-R-AZ-6]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Natural Resources

H.R.3873 — To increase funding for cancer research by the National Cancer Institute to be more in proportion to the mortality rates of cancer; Sponsor: Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [Rep.-R-PA-1]; Committees: House - Appropriations; Energy and Commerce

H.R.3878 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure adequate coverage of annual wellness visits at rural health clinics under the Medicare program; Sponsor: Hinson, Ashley [Rep.-R-IA-2]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.3884 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure coverage of mental and behavioral health services furnished through telehealth; Sponsor: Matsui, Doris O. [Rep.-D-CA-7]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.3885 — To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide community-based training opportunities for medical students in rural areas and medically underserved communities, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Miller, Carol D. [Rep.-R-WV-1]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.3886 — To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study to determine whether RNA sequencing can be used to effectively diagnose PTSD in veterans; Sponsor: Murphy, Gregory F. [Rep.-R-NC-3]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.3890 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the distribution of additional residency positions, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Sewell, Terri A. [Rep.-D-AL-7]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

S.2024 — A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to provide for additional requirements with respect to the navigator program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Baldwin, Tammy [Sen.-D-WI]; Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

S.2027 — A bill to provide for digital communication of prescribing information for drugs (including biological products), and for other purposes; Sponsor: Mullin, Markwayne [Sen.-R-OK]; Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

S.2029 — A bill to protect the privacy of personal reproductive or sexual health information, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Hirono, Mazie K. [Sen.-D-HI]; Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

S.2031 — A bill to prohibit certain noncompete agreements, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Murphy, Christopher [Sen.-D-CT]; Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

S.2032 — A bill to provide for the establishment of Medicare part E public health plans, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Merkley, Jeff [Sen.-D-OR]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2035 — A bill to establish statutory rights to choose to receive, provide, and cover fertility treatments, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Duckworth, Tammy [Sen.-D-IL]; Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

H.Res.502 — Of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretaries of the Treasury, Labor, and Health and Human Services to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the development of a centralized database by the Federal government and Palantir Technologies Inc. that compiles American citizens' personal information across Federal agencies and departments, including confidential taxpayer, identity, wage, child support, bank account, student loan, health, medical, financial, or other information; Sponsor: Doggett, Lloyd [Rep.-D-TX-37]; Committees: House - Oversight and Government Reform

H.R.3906 — To amend the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025 to restore amounts available for Defense Health Agency research, development, test, and evaluation, including Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs; Sponsor: Carson, André [Rep.-D-IN-7]; Committees: House – Appropriations

H.R.3907 — To amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to provide for additional requirements with respect to the navigator program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Castor, Kathy [Rep.-D-FL-14]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.3910 — To amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow parental choice in the selection of primary health insurance coverage or primary coverage under a group health plan for certain dependent children; Sponsor: Davids, Sharice [Rep.-D-KS-3]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means; Education and Workforce

H.R.3911 — To provide for the establishment of Medicare part E public health plans, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Gomez, Jimmy [Rep.-D-CA-34]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means; Education and Workforce

H.R.3916 — To protect the privacy of personal reproductive or sexual health information, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Jacobs, Sara [Rep.-D-CA-51]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

S.2050 — A bill to amend the Social Security Act to provide for an increased Federal medical assistance percentage for State expenditures on certain behavioral health services furnished under the Medicaid program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Warnock, Raphael G. [Sen.-D-GA]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2055 — A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the program of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide comprehensive assistance for family caregivers of eligible veterans, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Banks, Jim [Sen.-R-IN]; Committees: Senate - Veterans' Affairs

S.2057 — A bill to streamline enrollment in health insurance affordability programs and minimum essential coverage, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Van Hollen, Chris [Sen.-D-MD]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2059 — A bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to enhance financial support for rural and safety net hospitals providing maternity, labor, and delivery services to vulnerable populations, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Wyden, Ron [Sen.-D-OR]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2061 — A bill to require the Interagency Working Group on Toxic Exposure to conduct research on the diagnosis and treatment of health conditions of descendants of individuals exposed to toxic substances while serving as members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Blumenthal, Richard [Sen.-D-CT]; Committees: Senate - Veterans' Affairs

S.2062 — A bill to improve supply chain resiliency for critical drug products with vulnerable supply chains and ensure that reserves of critical drugs and active pharmaceutical ingredients are maintained to prevent supply disruptions in the event of drug shortages or public health emergencies; Sponsor: Peters, Gary C. [Sen.-D-MI]; Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

S.2064 — A bill to amend title XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to provide coverage of comprehensive tobacco cessation services under such titles, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Blunt Rochester, Lisa [Sen.-D-DE]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2066 — A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to establish a pilot program for testing the use of a predictive risk-scoring algorithm to provide oversight of payments for durable medical equipment and clinical diagnostic laboratory tests under the Medicare program; Sponsor: Sheehy, Tim [Sen.-R-MT]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2068 — A bill to ban drug manufacturers from using direct-to-consumer advertising, including social media, to promote their products; Sponsor: Sanders, Bernard [Sen.-I-VT]; Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

S.2069 — A bill to amend title XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to provide for 12-month continuous enrollment of individuals under the Medicaid program and Children's Health Insurance Program; Sponsor: Whitehouse, Sheldon [Sen.-D-RI]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2072 — A bill to promote affordable access to evidence-based opioid treatments under the Medicare program and require coverage of medication assisted treatment for opioid use disorders, opioid overdose reversal medications, and recovery support services by health plans without cost-sharing requirements; Sponsor: Blumenthal, Richard [Sen.-D-CT]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2073 — A bill to establish a State public option through Medicaid to provide Americans with the choice of a high-quality, low-cost health insurance plan; Sponsor: Schatz, Brian [Sen.-D-HI]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2076 — A bill to provide for an emergency increase in Federal funding to State Medicaid programs for expenditures on home and community-based services; Sponsor: Luján, Ben Ray [Sen.-D-NM]; Committees: Senate – Finance

S.2077 — A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to ensure health insurance coverage continuity for former

foster youth; Sponsor: Welch, Peter [Sen.-D-VT]; Committees: Senate - Finance

S.2084 — A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of dental and oral health services, vision services, and hearing services under the Medicare and Medicaid programs; Sponsor: Alsobrooks, Angela D. [Sen.-D-MD]; Committees: Senate – Finance

H.Res.507 — Expressing support for the designation of June 10 as "FSGS Awareness Day"; Sponsor: Bilirakis, Gus M. [Rep.-R-FL-12]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.Res.510 — Recognizing the 20th anniversary of the Children's Hospital Association's Family Advocacy Day and honoring the contributions of children's hospitals and their patients and families; Sponsor: Castor, Kathy [Rep.-D-FL-14]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.3942 — To amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to enhance financial support for rural and safety net hospitals providing maternity, labor, and delivery services to vulnerable populations, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Bonamici, Suzanne [Rep.-D-OR-1]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.3947 — To streamline enrollment in health insurance affordability programs and minimum essential coverage, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Bera, Ami [Rep.-D-CA-6]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.3951 — To amend the Veterans' Benefits Improvements Act of 1996 and the Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 to improve the temporary licensure requirements for contract health care professionals who perform medical disability examinations for the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Ciscomani, Juan [Rep.-R-AZ-6]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.3954 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to count a period of receipt of outpatient observation services in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital stay requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services under Medicare, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Courtney, Joe [Rep.-D-CT-2]; Committees: House - Ways and Means; Energy and Commerce

H.R.3955 — To improve supply chain resiliency for critical drug products with vulnerable supply chains and ensure that reserves of critical drugs and active pharmaceutical ingredients are maintained to prevent supply disruptions in the event of drug shortages or public health emergencies; Sponsor: Craig, Angie [Rep.-D-MN-2]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.3980 — To authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, to award grants for expanding, modernizing, or streamlining emergency department operations; Sponsor: Lawler, Michael [Rep.-R-NY-17]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.3990 — To provide Medicaid assistance to individuals and families affected by a disaster or emergency, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Panetta, Jimmy [Rep.-D-CA-19]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.3995 — To establish a State public option through Medicaid to provide Americans with the choice of a high-quality, low-cost health insurance plan; Sponsor: Schrier, Kim [Rep.-D-WA-8]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.3996 — To amend title XI of the Social Security Act to establish a pilot program for testing the use of a predictive riskscoring algorithm to provide oversight of payments for durable medical equipment and clinical diagnostic laboratory tests under the Medicare program; Sponsor: Schweikert, David [Rep.-R-AZ-1]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.4002 — To repeal changes made by health care reform laws to the Medicare exception to the prohibition on certain physician referrals for hospitals; Sponsor: Van Duyne, Beth [Rep.-R-TX-24]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.4007 — To unfreeze and release funding for grant agreements of the National Institutes of Health, prohibit termination of such agreements for active and ongoing research, require the inclusion of termination clauses in such agreements, and prohibit termination of such agreements for no longer effectuating program goals or agency priorities; Sponsor: Watson Coleman, Bonnie [Rep.-D-NJ-12]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce