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H. CON. RES. 37

Expressing the sense of Congress with respect to promoting coverage of
individuals under long-term care insurance.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SHAYS (for himself, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. HOBSON, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. NADLER, Mr. GOODE, Mr. BALDACCIO, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. LAFALCE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FROST, Mr. DOYLE, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. TANNER, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. McNULTY, Ms. DELAUBO, Mr. McGOVERN, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. PHELPS, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. GANSKE, Ms. HART, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. BASS, Mr. FOLEY, Mrs. NORTHUP, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. SIMMONS) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress with respect to promoting
coverage of individuals under long-term care insurance.

- 1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring),*
- 3 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

1 (1) As the baby boom generation begins to re-
2 tire, funding Social Security and Medicare will put
3 a strain on the financial resources of younger Ameri-
4 cans.

21 (5) Many people are unaware that most long-
22 term care costs are not covered by Medicare and
23 that Medicaid covers long-term care only after the
24 person's assets have been exhausted.

16 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of the
17 Congress that—

23 (2) the Federal Government should take all ap-
24 propriate steps to inform the public that Medicare
25 does not cover most long-term care costs and that

1 Medicaid covers long-term care costs only when the
2 beneficiary has exhausted his or her assets;

3 (3) the Federal Government should take all ap-
4 propriate steps not only to encourage employers to
5 offer private long-term care insurance coverage to
6 employees, but also to encourage both working-aged
7 people and older citizens to obtain long-term care in-
8 surance either through their employers or on their
9 own;

10 (4) appropriate committees of Congress, to-
11 gether with the Department of Health and Human
12 Services and other appropriate Executive Branch
13 agencies, should develop specific ideas for encour-
14 aging Americans to plan for their own long-term
15 care needs; and

16 (5) the congressional tax-writing committees,
17 together with the Department of the Treasury
18 should determine whether the tax rules for long-term
19 care insurance need to be modified to ensure that
20 the rules adequately facilitate the affordability of
21 long-term care insurance.

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