

SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES.

No part of the amount appropriated by section 1 in excess of 10 percent thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Violation of the provisions of this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.

The Senate bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANISHA GOVEAS FOTI

The Clerk called the bill (H.R. 2245) for the relief of Anisha Goveas Foti.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill as follows:

H.R. 2245

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS FOR ANISHA GOVEAS FOTI.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Anisha Goveas Foti shall be eligible for issuance of an immigrant visa or for adjustment of status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence upon filing an application for issuance of an immigrant visa under section 204 of such Act or for adjustment of status to lawful permanent resident.

(b) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—If Anisha Goveas Foti enters the United States before the filing deadline specified in subsection (c), she shall be considered to have entered and remained lawfully and shall, if otherwise eligible, be eligible for adjustment of status under section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT OF FEES.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall apply only if the application for issuance of an immigrant visa or the application for adjustment of status is filed with appropriate fees within 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) REDUCTION OF IMMIGRANT VISA NUMBER.—Upon the granting of an immigrant visa or permanent residence to Anisha Goveas Foti, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper officer to reduce by 1, during the current or next following fiscal year, the total number of immigrant visas that are made available to natives of the country of the alien's birth under section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act or, if applicable, the total number of immigrant visas that are made available to natives of the country of the alien's birth under section 202(e) of such Act.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This concludes the call of the Private Calendar.

THE NIH SECURITY ACT

(Mrs. MORELLA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, today I am introducing the critically impor-

tant National Institutes of Health Security Act.

After September 11, Congress authorized a 322-acre biomedical research facility to bolster its security by doubling its police ranks from 64 officers to 108. This decision was made by U.S. intelligence experts who determined that the NIH campus is vulnerable and a potential target for terrorist attack, infiltration or theft of protected materials and research. Unfortunately, the force has never come close to reaching those numbers due to the current pay and retirement system.

NIH police are one of the lowest paid in the Washington metropolitan area. Making matters worse, NIH police are not classified as Federal "law enforcement officers," and are thereby denied the superior retirement benefits that distinction affords. The result is in low retention of officers, difficulty with recruitment. Without retirements included, there exists a 77 percent attrition rate at NIH yearly.

Due to the severity of the situation and the resources that NIH protects, I am introducing legislation that would allow NIH to bolster its security force. This bill would add no additional cost to the Federal Government. It would simply allow some long overdue flexibility to be used by NIH.

Without these changes, we are undoubtedly allowing a prime target to remain vulnerable to terrorists.

I want to recognize NIH law enforcement personnel, specifically Clyde Bartz and the Fraternal Order of Police, for raising my awareness of this issue.

HONORING ENLACE AND GUILLERMINA GARCIA FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION

(Ms. SANCHEZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SANCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the parents and volunteers who participated in the first Annual Walk for Success, sponsored by ENLACE, to raise the awareness of the importance of registering for school.

I would especially like to honor one mother in particular, Guillermina Garcia, for her dedication to her family and to the community. Like many Americans, Guillermina dreams of sending her children to college, and she wants her friends and neighbors to aspire to this lofty goal also.

Despite the many hardships that she faces, Mrs. Garcia finds the time to walk throughout her community door to door and to talk with parents about becoming more involved in their children's education.

Mrs. Garcia also finds time to attend a weekly math class which teaches her how to play games with her children to help them with math. Through her actions she has proven herself to be a role model for her children and for our community.

I would like to congratulate Mrs. Guillermina Garcia and the ENLACE organization for working to educate Orange County residents about educational opportunities.

PASS H.R. 5272 TO LOWER DRUG PRICES

(Mr. BROWN of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, according to industry experts, health insurance premiums will jump 13 to 24 percent next year. What is driving this increase? Mostly the cost of prescription drugs.

To deflect attention from these remarkably high prices, the drug industry argues that prescription medicines actually save money by reducing health care costs. If they were more reasonably priced, that might be true. There is no doubt that medicine helps alleviate the need for other health care services. But prescription drugs are priced so outrageously high that their inflationary impact far outstrips any savings. Skyrocket insurance premiums simply do not lie.

There is no excuse for the drug industry's pricing practices. There is no excuse for the tactics drug makers use to block lower-priced generic drugs from the market. There is no excuse for the drug makers' lobbying tactics to try to kill our legislation.

This body must act on H.R. 5272, legislation that will stop the gaming and deliver lower drug prices to the American people, an estimated \$60 billion in savings.

I urge House Republican leadership, all too often too close to the drug industry, to bring this consumer savings bill up for a vote before Columbus Day.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 13, 2002.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 13, 2002 at 4:43 p.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 5157.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAH, L.
Clerk of the House.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair

will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote is objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

Any record votes on postponed motions will be taken after debate has concluded on all motions to suspend the rules, but not before 6:30 p.m. today.

WOMEN'S HEALTH OFFICE ACT OF 2002

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1784) to establish an Office on Women's Health within the Department of Health and Human Services, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1784

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Women's Health Office Act of 2002".

SEC. 2. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE ON WOMEN'S HEALTH.

(a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—Part A of title II of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 202 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE ON WOMEN'S HEALTH

"SEC. 229. (a) **ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE.**—The Secretary shall establish through the last date for which appropriations are authorized under subsection (e), within the Office of the Secretary, an Office on Women's Health (referred to in this section as the 'Office'). The Office shall be headed by a Deputy Assistant Secretary for Women's Health.

"(b) **DUTIES.**—The Secretary, acting through the Office, with respect to the health concerns of women, shall—

"(1) establish short-range and long-range goals and objectives within the Department of Health and Human Services and, as relevant and appropriate, coordinate with other appropriate offices on activities within the Department that relate to disease prevention, health promotion, service delivery, research, and public and health care professional education, for issues of particular concern to women;

"(2) provide expert advice and consultation to the Secretary concerning scientific, legal, ethical, and policy issues relating to women's health;

"(3) monitor the Department of Health and Human Services' offices, agencies, and regional activities regarding women's health and stimulate activities and facilitate coordination of such departmental and agency offices on women's health;

"(4) establish a Department of Health and Human Services Coordinating Committee on Women's Health, which shall be chaired by the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Women's Health and composed of senior level representatives from each of the agencies and offices of the Department of Health and Human Services;

"(5) establish a National Women's Health Information Center to—

"(A) facilitate the exchange of information regarding matters relating to health information, health promotion, preventive health services, research advances, and education in the appropriate use of health care;

"(B) facilitate access to such information;

"(C) assist in the analysis of issues and problems relating to the matters described in this paragraph; and

"(D) provide technical assistance with respect to the exchange of information (including facilitating the development of materials for such technical assistance);

"(6) coordinate efforts to promote women's health programs and policies with the private sector; and

"(7) through publications and any other means appropriate, provide for the exchange of information between the Office and recipients of grants, contracts, and agreements under subsection (c), and between the Office and health professionals and the general public.

"(c) GRANTS AND CONTRACTS REGARDING DUTIES.—

"(1) **AUTHORITY.**—In carrying out subsection (b), the Secretary may make grants to, and enter into cooperative agreements, contracts, and interagency agreements with, public and private entities, agencies, and organizations.

"(2) **EVALUATION AND DISSEMINATION.**—The Secretary shall directly or through contracts with public and private entities, agencies, and organizations, provide for evaluations of projects carried out with financial assistance provided under paragraph (1) and for the dissemination of information developed as a result of such projects.

"(d) **REPORTS.**—Not later than January 31, 2003, and January 31 of each second year thereafter, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report describing the activities carried out under this section during the period for which the report is being prepared.

"(e) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—For the purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2003 through 2007."

(b) **TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.**—There are transferred to the Office on Women's Health (established under section 229 of the Public Health Service Act, as added by this section), all functions exercised by the Office on Women's Health of the Public Health Service prior to the date of enactment of this section, including all personnel and compensation authority, all delegation and assignment authority, and all remaining appropriations. All orders, determinations, rules, regulations, permits, agreements, grants, contracts, certificates, licenses, registrations, privileges, and other administrative actions that—

(1) have been issued, made, granted, or allowed to become effective by the President, any Federal agency or official thereof, or by a court of competent jurisdiction, in the performance of functions transferred under this subsection; and

(2) are in effect at the time this section takes effect, or were final before the date of enactment of this section and are to become effective on or after such date;

shall continue in effect according to their terms until modified, terminated, superseded, set aside, or revoked in accordance with law by the President, the Secretary, or other authorized official, a court of competent jurisdiction, or by operation of law.

SEC. 3. CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH.

Part A of title III of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 241 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH

"SEC. 310A. (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—The Secretary shall establish through the last date for which appropriations are authorized under subsection (f), within the Office of the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, an office to be known as the Office of Women's Health (referred to in this section as the 'Office'). The Office shall be headed by a director who shall be appointed by the Director of such Centers.

"(b) **PURPOSE.**—The Director of the Office shall—

"(1) report to the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on the current level of the Centers' activity regarding women's health conditions across, where appropriate, age, biological, and sociocultural contexts, in all aspects of the Centers' work, including prevention programs, public and professional education, services, and treatment;

"(2) establish short-range and long-range goals and objectives within the Centers for women's health and, as relevant and appropriate, coordinate with other appropriate offices on activities within the Centers that relate to prevention, research, education and training, service delivery, and policy development, for issues of particular concern to women;

"(3) identify projects in women's health that should be conducted or supported by the Centers;

"(4) consult with health professionals, nongovernmental organizations, consumer organizations, women's health professionals, and other individuals and groups, as appropriate, on the policy of the Centers with regard to women; and

"(5) serve as a member of the Department of Health and Human Services Coordinating Committee on Women's Health (established under section 229(b)(4)).

"(c) COORDINATING COMMITTEE.—

"(1) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—In carrying out subsection (b), the Director of the Office shall establish a committee to be known as the Coordinating Committee on Research on Women's Health (referred to in this subsection as the 'Coordinating Committee').

"(2) **COMPOSITION.**—The Coordinating Committee shall be composed of the directors of the national centers and other appropriate officials of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"(3) **CHAIRPERSON.**—The Director of the Office shall serve as the Chairperson of the Coordinating Committee.

"(4) **DUTIES.**—With respect to women's health, the Coordinating Committee shall assist the Director of the Office in—

"(A) identifying the need for programs and activities that focus on women's health;

"(B) identifying needs regarding the coordination of activities, including intramural and extramural multidisciplinary activities; and

"(C) making recommendations to the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention concerning findings made under subparagraphs (A) and (B).

"(d) **REPORTS.**—Not later than January 31, 2003, and January 31 of each second year thereafter, the Director of the Office shall prepare and submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report describing the activities carried out under this section during the period for which the report is being prepared.

"(e) **DEFINITION.**—As used in this section, the term 'women's health conditions', with respect to women of all age, ethnic, and racial groups, means diseases, disorders, and conditions—

"(1) unique to, significantly more serious for, or significantly more prevalent in women; and

"(2) for which the factors of medical risk or type of medical intervention are different for women.

"(f) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—For the purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2003 through 2007."

SEC. 4. AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY ACTIVITIES REGARDING WOMEN'S HEALTH.

Part C of title IX of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 299c et seq.) is amended—

(1) by redesignating sections 927 and 928 as sections 928 and 929, respectively;

(2) by inserting after section 926 the following: