



The Capitol Key

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Summer 2007 Legislative Update: SCHIP

In early August, just before beginning their summer recess, both chambers of Congress passed considerably different bills to reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).

The House measure (H.R. 3162; passing 225-204; see pp. 3-4), provides an increase of \$50 billion for SCHIP over five years and makes a number of changes to Medicare, including a positive physician payment update of 0.5 percent for 2008 and 2009, thereby averting a pending 10 percent payment cut scheduled for January 2008 and an estimated 5 percent cut in 2009. The Senate measure (H.R. 976; passing 68-31; see p. 5), provides an increase of \$35 billion for SCHIP over five years, but makes no Medicare changes.

Both bills would pay for SCHIP by raising the federal excise tax on tobacco: the House by 45 cents per pack; the Senate by 61 cents per pack. The House's need for additional revenue for SCHIP and the positive physician

updates would come from the reduction in reimbursement to Medicare-managed care plans.

In addition to the physician payment update, the House bill includes many other changes supported by ACP, including: reducing geographic inequities in payments; providing payment incentives for care coordination by internists through an expanded Medicare pilot of the Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH), creating a process to correct misvalued payments, and funding objective research on the comparative effectiveness of different medical treatments. (No bill is perfect, of course, and ACP will work with Congress to fix any specific provisions that need improvement. ACP would have preferred higher updates, and will need to work with Congress to get legislation enacted before 2010 to prevent another round of Medicare cuts.)

H.R. 3162 PROVIDES AN INCREASE OF \$50 BILLION FOR SCHIP OVER FIVE YEARS AND MAKES A NUMBER OF CHANGES TO MEDICARE, INCLUDING A POSITIVE PHYSICIAN PAYMENT UPDATE

Congress will reconvene on September 4 and will appoint a Conference Committee to reconcile the two bills. SCHIP expires on September 30. President Bush has issued a veto threat.

Key Contacts in Action

Key Contacts were asked to contact their representative a number of times as the House bill was being developed. Below is a summary of how you and your colleagues impacted the House bill's incorporation of the PCMH demonstration and the entire bill's eventual passage.

ACP Official Comments to Capitol Hill on the State Children's Health Insurance Program

Support for Children's Health and Medicare Protection Act (CHAMP) Expressed to House Leaders by American College of Physicians

(24 JUL 07)

'SCHIP Funding Levels Too Low' American College of Physicians Tells Senate Finance Committee Leaders

(17 JUL 07)

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Letters-to-the-Editor Submitted

After Congress recessed in early August, ACP conducted a letter-to-the-editor campaign for selected members of Congress where it was important to publicly show ACP support for that member voting to support H.R. 3162.

Thank you to the following Key Contacts for submitting a letter to their local paper.

Steven A. Artz, MD FACP

- Member of Congress:
Shelley Moore Capito (R-2nd WV)

Landon E. Dickson

- Member of Congress:
James Matheson (D-2nd UT)

Andrew K. Diehl, MD FACP

- Member of Congress:
Charles Gonzalez (D-20th TX)

Jay V. D'Orso, MD FACP

- Member of Congress:
Christopher Shays (R-4th CT)

Victor O. Kolade, MBBS FACP

- Member of Congress:
Brian Higgins (D-27th NY)

Mark E. Mayer, MD FACP

- Member of Congress:
Stephanie Tubbs Jones (D-11th OH)

Gerald J. McShane, MD

- Member of Congress:
Ray LaHood (R-18th IL)

Douglas J. Mund, MD

- Member of Congress:
Steve Israel (D-2nd NY)

Naresh H. Pathak, MD FACP

- Member of Congress:
Ron Klein (D-22nd FL)



Legislative Summary (cont)

- In June and early-July, SCHIP's authorizing committees (the committees are assigned to vet a bill before it can proceed to the full House), the Committee on Ways & Means (W&M) and Committee on Energy & Commerce (E&C), were developing a bill to reauthorize SCHIP. These authorizing committees included the physician payment fix provision in the SCHIP bill;
- In mid-July, congressmen Patrick Kennedy (D-1st RI) and Jon Porter (R-3rd NV) asked their House colleagues to support their effort to include a Patient-Centered Medical Home demonstration provision as part of Medicaid and SCHIP. Approximately 300 Key Contacts were asked to encourage their representative to back the Kennedy-Porter effort. A handful of Key Contacts heard from their representative that they would indeed support the Kennedy-Porter effort to incorporate a PCMH demonstration into the bill. The Kennedy and Porter effort resulted in the authorizing committees agreeing to include PCMH in the House bill by expanding the Medicare pilot authorized under the Tax Relief and Health Care Act;
- The last week of July, both W&M and E&C decided to mark-up the proposed bill, H.R. 3162. The 1,000 Key Contacts whose representative sits on W&M or E&C were asked to encourage their representative to support the committee bill. The bill passed W&M. E&C leaders were unable to pass the bill in committee; it was withdrawn.
- The full House vote on August 1 on the W&M bill. All 5,500 Key Contacts were asked to encourage their representative to support H.R. 3162. Due to the importance of the vote, ACP President David C. Dale, MD FACP, also encouraged all ACP members to do the same.

For those of whose representative supported H.R. 3162, please use the Legislative Action Center to send him/her a thank you (see pp. 3, 9). Each of the 225 representatives need to know how important their vote was to physicians.

When Congress reconvenes after Labor Day, Senate and House leaders will select the members for the bill's Conference Committee. Key Contacts whose members end up sitting on the committee may be asked to take action. If the committee agrees on a bill for Congress, Key Contacts may be asked to encourage all three of your congressional members to support the bill. Stay tuned and thank you for your continued advocacy.

HOUSE: THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND MEDICARE PROTECTION (CHAMP) ACT (H.R. 3162)

Yea

Abercrombie
Ackerman
Allen
Altmire
Andrews
Arcuri

ROLL CALL #787

PASSED BY THE HOUSE
AUGUST 1, 2007

YEA: 225
NAY: 204
NOT VOTING: 4

Baca
Baird
Baldwin
Barrow
Bean
Becerra
Berkley
Berman
Berry
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Blumenauer
Boswell
Boucher
Boyd (FL)
Boyd (KS)
Brady (PA)
Braley (IA)
Brown, Corrine
Butterfield
Capito
Capps
Capuano
Cardoza
Carnahan
Carney
Carson

Castor
Chandler
Clay
Cleaver
Clyburn
Cohen
Conyers
Costa
Costello
Courtney
Cramer
Crowley
Cuellar
Cummings
Davis (AL)
Davis (CA)
Davis (IL)
Davis, Lincoln
DeFazio
DeGette
Delahunt
DeLauro
Dicks
Dingell
Doggett
Doyle
Edwards
Ellison
Emanuel
Engel
Eshoo
Farr
Fattah
Ferguson
Filner
Frank (MA)
Giffords
Gillibrand
Gonzalez
Gordon
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Grijalva
Gutierrez
Hall (NY)
Hare
Harman
Hastings (FL)
Herseth Sandlin

Higgins
Hinchev
Hinojosa
Hirono
Hodes
Holden
Holt
Honda
Hooley
Hoyer
Inslee
Israel
Jackson (IL)
Jackson-Lee (TX)
Jefferson
Johnson (GA)
Johnson, E. B.
Jones (OH)
Kagen
Kanjorski
Kaptur
Kennedy
Kildee
Kilpatrick
Kind
Klein (FL)
Kucinich
LaHood
Lampson
Langevin
Lantos
Larsen (WA)
Larson (CT)
Lee
Levin
Lewis (GA)
Lipinski
LoBiondo
Loeb sack
Lofgren, Zoe
Lowey
Lynch
Mahoney (FL)
Maloney (NY)
Markey
Matheson
Matsui
McCarthy (NY)
McCollum (MN)

McDermott
McGovern
McNerney
McNulty
Meek (FL)
Meeks (NY)
Melancon
Michaud
Miller (NC)
Miller, George
Mitchell
Mollohan
Moore (KS)
Moore (WI)
Moran (VA)
Murphy (CT)
Murphy, Patrick
Murtha
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal (MA)
Oberstar
Obey
Olver
Ortiz
Pallone
Pascrell
Pastor
Payne
Pelosi
Perlmutter
Peterson (MN)
Pomeroy
Price (NC)
Rahall
Rangel
Reyes
Rodriguez
Ross
Rothman
Roybal-Allard
Ruppersberger
Rush
Ryan (OH)
Salazar
Sánchez, Linda T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Sarbanes
Schakowsky

Schiff
Schwartz
Scott (GA)
Scott (VA)
Serrano
Sestak
Shays
Shea-Porter
Sherman
Sires
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (WA)
Snyder
Solis
Space
Spratt
Stark
Stupak
Sutton
Tanner
Tauscher
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Tierney
Townes
Udall (CO)
Udall (NM)
Van Hollen
Velázquez
Visclosky
Walz (MN)
Wasserman Schultz
Waters
Watson
Watt
Waxman
Weiner
Welch (VT)
Wexler
Wilson (OH)
Woolsey
Wu
Wynn
Yarmuth

(Democrats are plain text; Republicans italicized)

HOUSE: THE CHILDREN’S HEALTH AND MEDICARE PROTECTION (CHAMP) ACT
(H.R. 3162)

Nay

Aderholt	Cubin	Hastert	McHenry	Royce
Akin	Culberson	Hastings (WA)	McHugh	Ryan (WI)
Alexander	Davis (KY)	Hayes	McIntyre	Sali
Bachmann	Davis, David	Heller	McKeon	Saxton
Bachus	Davis, Tom	Hensarling	McMorris Rodgers	Schmidt
Baker	Deal (GA)	Herger	Mica	Sensenbrenner
Barrett (SC)	Dent	Hill	Miller (FL)	Sessions
Bartlett (MD)	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hobson	Miller (MI)	Shadegg
Barton (TX)	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hoekstra	Miller, Gary	Shimkus
Biggert	Donnelly	Hulshof	Moran (KS)	Shuler
Bilbray	Doolittle	Hunter	Murphy, Tim	Shuster
Bilirakis	Drake	Inglis (SC)	Musgrave	Simpson
Bishop (UT)	Dreier	Issa	Myrick	Smith (NE)
Blackburn	Duncan	Jindal	Neugebauer	Smith (NJ)
Blunt	Ehlers	Johnson (IL)	Nunes	Smith (TX)
Boehner	Ellsworth	Jones (NC)	Paul	Souder
Bonner	Emerson	Jordan	Pearce	Stearns
Bono	English (PA)	Keller	Pence	Sullivan
Boozman	Etheridge	King (IA)	Peterson (PA)	Tancredo
Boren	Everett	King (NY)	Petri	Taylor
Boustany	Fallin	Kingston	Pickering	Terry
Brady (TX)	Feeney	Kirk	Pitts	Thornberry
Broun (GA)	Flake	Kline (MN)	Platts	Tiahrt
Brown (SC)	Fortenberry	Knollenberg	Poe	Tiberi
Brown-Waite	Fossella	Kuhl (NY)	Porter	Turner
Buchanan	Foxx	Lamborn	Price (GA)	Upton
Burgess	Franks (AZ)	Latham	Pryce (OH)	Walberg
Burton (IN)	Frelinghuysen	LaTourette	Putnam	Walden (OR)
Buyer	Gallegly	Lewis (CA)	Radanovich	Walsh (NY)
Calvert	Garrett (NJ)	Lewis (KY)	Ramstad	Wamp
Camp (MI)	Gerlach	Linder	Regula	Weldon (FL)
Campbell (CA)	Gilchrest	Lucas	Rehberg	Weller
Cannon	Gillmor	Lungren, Daniel E.	Reichert	Westmoreland
Cantor	Gingrey	Mack	Renzi	Whitfield
Carter	Gohmert	Manzullo	Reynolds	Wicker
Castle	Goode	Marchant	Rogers (AL)	Wilson (NM)
Chabot	Goodlatte	Marshall	Rogers (KY)	Wilson (SC)
Coble	Granger	McCarthy (CA)	Rogers (MI)	Wolf
Cole (OK)	Graves	McCaul (TX)	Rohrabacher	Young (AK)
Conaway	Hall (TX)	McCotter	Ros-Lehtinen	Young (FL)
Cooper		McCrery	Roskam	

Not Voting

Clarke	Davis, Jo Ann
Crenshaw	Johnson, Sam

(Democrats are plain text; Republicans italicized)

SENATE: CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2007
(H.R. 976)

Yea

Akaka (D-HI)
Alexander (R-TN)
Baucus (D-MT)
Bayh (D-IN)

Biden (D-DE)
Bingaman (D-NM)
Bond (R-MO)
Boxer (D-CA)
Brown (D-OH)
Byrd (D-WV)
Cantwell (D-WA)
Cardin (D-MD)
Carper (D-DE)
Casey (D-PA)
Clinton (D-NY)
Coleman (R-MN)
Collins (R-ME)
Conrad (D-ND)
Corker (R-TN)
Dodd (D-CT)

Domenici (R-NM)
Dorgan (D-ND)
Durbin (D-IL)
Feingold (D-WI)
Feinstein (D-CA)
Grassley (R-IA)
Harkin (D-IA)
Hatch (R-UT)
Hutchison (R-TX)
Inouye (D-HI)
Kennedy (D-MA)
Kerry (D-MA)
Klobuchar (D-MN)
Kohl (D-WI)
Landrieu (D-LA)
Lautenberg (D-NJ)

Leahy (D-VT)
Levin (D-MI)
Lieberman (ID-CT)
Lincoln (D-AR)
Lugar (R-IN)
McCaskill (D-MO)
Menendez (D-NJ)
Mikulski (D-MD)
Murkowski (R-AK)
Murray (D-WA)
Nelson (D-FL)
Nelson (D-NE)
Obama (D-IL)
Pryor (D-AR)
Reed (D-RI)
Reid (D-NV)

Roberts (R-KS)
Rockefeller (D-WV)
Salazar (D-CO)
Sanders (I-VT)
Schumer (D-NY)
Smith (R-OR)
Snowe (R-ME)
Specter (R-PA)
Stabenow (D-MI)
Stevens (R-AK)
Sununu (R-NH)
Tester (D-MT)
Warner (R-VA)
Webb (D-VA)
Whitehouse (D-RI)
Wyden (D-OR)

ROLL CALL #307

PASSED BY THE
SENATE
AUGUST 2, 2007

YEA: 68
NAY: 31
NOT VOTING: 1

Nay

Allard (R-CO)
Barrasso (R-WY)
Bennett (R-UT)
Brownback (R-KS)
Bunning (R-KY)
Burr (R-NC)
Chambliss (R-GA)

Coburn (R-OK)
Cochran (R-MS)
Cornyn (R-TX)
Craig (R-ID)
Crapo (R-ID)
DeMint (R-SC)
Dole (R-NC)

Ensign (R-NV)
Enzi (R-WY)
Graham (R-SC)
Gregg (R-NH)
Hagel (R-NE)
Inhofe (R-OK)
Isakson (R-GA)

Kyl (R-AZ)
Lott (R-MS)
Martinez (R-FL)
McCain (R-AZ)
McConnell (R-KY)
Sessions (R-AL)
Shelby (R-AL)

Thune (R-SD)
Vitter (R-LA)
Voinovich (R-OH)

Not Voting

Johnson (D-SD)

KEY CONTACTS KEEPING THE CONTACT

Don't forget to let the Washington Office know of the advocacy activity you initiate on your own. Have you had meetings or sent a letter to your congressional offices? Written an advocacy piece for a publication? Let us know about it. Check this out.

Nation must address its health care system
by James W. Sawyer, MD FACP
News-Journal, Longview, TX
June 9, 2007

Cuts to physician payments threaten S.C Medicare patients
By Dawn E. Clancy, MD MSCR FACP
The Post & Courier, Charleston, SC
July 23, 2007

www.charleston.net/news/2007/jul/23/cuts_physician_payments_threaten_s_c_med11206/

ACP Comments to CMS on the Physician Fee Schedule

In August 2007, ACP commented on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) proposed physician fee schedule rule for 2008. The rule outlines proposed Medicare payment policies for 2008. As statutorily required by the Medicare Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR), the rule states that Medicare payments to all physicians in 2008 will be cut by 9.9 percent. (Congress will need to act to pass legislation avert the 9.9 percent cut, as discussed in the article above, since CMS does not have the authority to do so on its own). In addition, the proposed rule estimates that internists, on average, will see an additional reduction of 1 percent in total Medicare payments because of other regulatory policies, not related to the SGR, that are addressed in the proposed rule. Among the specific proposals that ACP commented on are:

- A proposal to significantly increase the work values for most nursing facility services performed by physicians. Physician services are priced by Medicare using the Resource-Based Relative Value System (RBRVS), which measures medical services against one another. The work values represent approximately 55 percent of the payment for a code. Work values for initial nursing home visits increased by more than 40 percent, work values for subsequent nursing home visits increased by between 9 percent and 26 percent and the work value for the annual nursing home visit increased by more than 32 percent. ACP strongly supported this

proposal in its comments to CMS.

- A proposal to use \$1.35 billion allocated to CMS to continue the Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (PQRI) for 2008. ACP disagreed with this CMS proposal and recommended that CMS instead use that money to reduce the scheduled cuts required by the SGR formula.
- A proposal to eliminate the fax exemption to electronic prescribing standards. The current fax exemption allows physicians to use software to electronically generate prescriptions that print on a pharmacy's fax machine without being in compliance with certain electronic transaction standards. ACP disagreed with the CMS proposal to eliminate this exemption because it may cause many physicians to have to revert to using paper-based prescriptions.

The rule also addressed imaging utilization, self-referral requirements, drug compendia, and the process of creating quality measures to be used in the PQRI program. CMS will release its final Medicare physician fee schedule for 2008 in November. The final rule will indicate if CMS intends to go forward with its proposals or make changes in response to the comments received.

ACP's comment letter on the proposed rule will be available at

www.acponline.org/advocacy/where_we_stand.htm.

Health Appropriations Bill Needs Your Action

On July 19, the House passed (276-140; see p. 7) a Department of Labor-Health and Human Services appropriations bill (H.R. 3043) that would provide a modest 4.8 percent increase in funding for these programs that have experienced significant cuts and/or lost purchasing power over the past three years. The Senate has yet to take up their Labor-HHS bill (S. 1710).

ACP Summary

ACP supports the increase in funding levels for several programs, particularly AHRQ, and the Title VII and VIII Health Professions programs. ACP fully supports AHRQ's role in improving the quality of our nation's health. The House level of funding will allow AHRQ to fully carry out its mandate to improve health care quality and reduce costs by identifying which treatments work best and at what cost. It also will provide the resources to conduct research on outcomes and comparative clinical effectiveness of health care, including pharmaceutical studies and strategies for improving the efficiency and effectiveness of such programs.

The health professions and nursing education programs provide support to students, programs, departments and institutions to improve the accessibility, quality, and racial and ethnic diversity of the health care workforce. As in past years, President Bush's FY 2008 budget practically eliminated all Title VII funds. Unlike previous years, however, the Administration also proposes to cut Title VIII nursing education programs below the FY 2006 level and the amount in the FY 2007 Joint Funding resolution.

Action Sought

1. If your House member supported H.R. 3043, please send him/her an e-mail, thanking him/her for his/her support (see pp. 7, 9). Each of the 276 representatives needs to know how important their vote was to physicians.
2. Please send a letter to your senators encouraging them to act on, and support, S. 1710 (see pp. 7, 9).

**HOUSE: DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2008 (H.R. 3043)**

Yea				
Abercrombie	DeFazio	Israel	Moore (KS)	Shays
Ackerman	DeGette	Jackson (IL)	Moore (WI)	Shea-Porter
Allen	Delahunt	Jackson-Lee (TX)	Moran (VA)	Sherman
Altmire	DeLauro	Jefferson	Murphy (CT)	Shuler
Andrews	<i>Dent</i>	Johnson (GA)	Murphy, Patrick	Simpson
Arcuri	Dicks	<i>Johnson (IL)</i>	<i>Murphy, Tim</i>	Sires
Baca	Dingell	Johnson, E. B.	Murtha	Skelton
Baird	Doggett	Jones (OH)	Nadler	Slaughter
Baldwin	Donnelly	Kagen	Napolitano	Smith (NJ)
Barrow	Doyle	Kanjorski	Neal (MA)	Smith (WA)
Becerra	Edwards	Kaptur	Oberstar	Snyder
Berkley	<i>Ehlers</i>	<i>Keller</i>	Obey	Solis
Berman	Ellison	Kennedy	Olver	Space
Berry	Ellsworth	Kildee	Ortiz	Spratt
<i>Biggert</i>	Emanuel	Kilpatrick	Pallone	Stark
<i>Bilirakis</i>	<i>Emerson</i>	Kind	Pascrell	Stupak
Bishop (GA)	Engel	<i>Kirk</i>	Pastor	Sutton
Bishop (NY)	<i>English (PA)</i>	Klein (FL)	Payne	Tanner
Blumenauer	Eshoo	Kucinich	Perlmutter	Tauscher
Boren	Etheridge	<i>LaHood</i>	Peterson (MN)	Taylor
Boswell	<i>Everett</i>	Lampson	Peterson (PA)	Thompson (CA)
Boucher	Farr	Langevin	Pickering	Thompson (MS)
Boyd (FL)	Fattah	Lantos	Platts	Tierney
Boyda (KS)	<i>Ferguson</i>	Larsen (WA)	Pomeroy	Towns
Brady (PA)	<i>Fortenberry</i>	Larson (CT)	Porter	Turner
Braley (IA)	Frank (MA)	<i>Latham</i>	Price (NC)	Udall (CO)
<i>Buchanan</i>	<i>Gerlach</i>	<i>LaTourette</i>	Pryce (OH)	Udall (NM)
Butterfield	Giffords	Lee	Rahall	Upton
<i>Capito</i>	<i>Gilchrest</i>	Levin	Ramstad	Van Hollen
Capps	Gillibrand	Lewis (GA)	Rangel	Velázquez
Capuano	Gonzalez	Lipinski	Regula	Visclosky
Cardoza	Gordon	<i>LoBiondo</i>	Rehberg	Walsh (NY)
Carnahan	Graves	Loebsack	Reichert	Walz (MN)
Carney	Green, Al	Lowey	Renzi	Wasserman Schultz
Carson	Green, Gene	Lynch	Reyes	Waters
<i>Castle</i>	Grijalva	Mahoney (FL)	Rodriguez	Watson
Castor	Gutierrez	Maloney (NY)	Rogers (AL)	Watt
Chandler	Hall (NY)	Markey	Rogers (MI)	Waxman
Clarke	Hare	Matheson	Ross	Weiner
Clay	Hastings (FL)	Matsui	Rothman	Welch (VT)
Cleaver	<i>Hayes</i>	McCarthy (NY)	Roybal-Allard	Weldon (FL)
Clyburn	Herseth Sandlin	McCollum (MN)	Ruppersberger	Weller
Cohen	Higgins	McDermott	Rush	Wexler
Conyers	Hill	McGovern	Ryan (OH)	Wilson (NM)
Cooper	Hinchey	<i>McHugh</i>	Salazar	Wilson (OH)
Costa	Hinojosa	McIntyre	Sánchez, Linda T.	Wolf
Costello	Hirono	McNerney	Sanchez, Loretta	Woolsey
Courtney	<i>Hobson</i>	McNulty	Sarbanes	Wu
Cramer	Hodes	Meek (FL)	Saxton	Wynn
Crowley	Holden	Meeks (NY)	Schakowsky	Yarmuth
Cuellar	Holt	Melancon	Schiff	Young (AK)
Cummings	Honda	Michaud	Schwartz	Young (FL)
Davis (AL)	Hooley	<i>Miller (MI)</i>	Scott (GA)	
Davis (CA)	Hoyer	Miller (NC)	Scott (VA)	
Davis (IL)	<i>Hulshof</i>	Mitchell	Serrano	
Davis, Lincoln	Inslee	Mollohan	Sestak	

HOUSE: DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2008 (H.R. 3043)

Nay

Aderholt
Akin
Alexander
Bachmann
Bachus

Boozman
Boustany
Brady (TX)
Brown (SC)
Brown-Waite, Ginny
Burgess
Burton (IN)
Buyer
Camp (MI)
Campbell (CA)
Cannon
Cantor
Carter
Chabot
Coble
Cole (OK)
Conaway
Crenshaw
Culberson
Davis (KY)
Davis, David
Davis, Tom
Deal (GA)
Diaz-Balart, L.
Diaz-Balart, M.
Doolittle
Drake
Dreier
Duncan
Fallin
Feeney
Flake

Forbes
Fossella
Foxx
Franks (AZ)
Frelinghuysen
Gallegly
Garrett (NJ)
Gillmor
Gingrey
Gohmert
Goode
Goodlatte
Granger
Hall (TX)
Hastert
Hastings (WA)
Heller
Hensarling
Herger
Hoekstra
Hunter
Inglis (SC)
Issa
Johnson, Sam
Jones (NC)
Jordan
King (IA)
King (NY)
Kingston
Kline (MN)
Knollenberg
Kuhl (NY)

Lamborn
Lewis (CA)
Lewis (KY)
Linder
Lucas
Lungren, Daniel E.
Mack
Manzullo
Marchant
McCarthy (CA)
McCaul (TX)
McCotter
McCrery
McHenry
McMorris Rodgers
Mica
Miller (FL)
Moran (KS)
Musgrave
Myrick
Neugebauer
Nunes
Pearce
Pence
Petri
Pitts
Poe
Price (GA)
Putnam
Radanovich
Reynolds
Rogers (KY)

Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Roskam
Royce
Ryan (WI)
Sali
Schmidt
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shadegg
Shimkus
Shuster
Smith (NE)
Smith (TX)
Souder
Stearns
Sullivan
Terry
Thornberry
Tiahrt
Tiberi
Walberg
Walden (OR)
Wamp
Westmoreland
Whitfield
Wicker
Wilson (SC)

ROLL CALL #686

PASSED BY THE HOUSE
JULY 19, 2007

YEA: 276
NAY: 140
NOT VOTING: 15

Baker
Barrett (SC)
Bartlett (MD)
Barton (TX)
Bean
Bilbray
Bishop (UT)
Blackburn
Blunt
Boehner
Bonner

Not Voting

Bono
Brown, Corrine
Calvert
Cubin
Davis, Jo Ann
Filner
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THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND
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(H.R. 3162)

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Did your Representative support H.R. 3162 (see p. 3)? If yes, please send him/her a thank you for their support.

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