

2005 HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

HCR 3030

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3030

House Political Subdivisions Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 11, 2005

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Minutes: **Rep.Devlin, Chairman** opened the hearing on HCR 3030, a concurrent resolution urging the President and Congress to maintain the stability of the federal Social Security System and to forego any effort to privatize any aspect of the Social Security system.

Rep. Pam Gulleson representing District 26 and a sponsor on HCR 3030 spoke in support of the resolution. See saw no need to rush into changing anything about a successful program on which many Americans are so dependent especially to take the risk of private accounts would entail. She also was concerned about the immediate cost to implement the change. It was also brought out in hers or other testimony the windfall to investments houses and the uncertainty which has been demonstrated in the recent market years.

Others who testified with much the same theme were;

Sen Every representing District 23.

Rep. Merle Boucher representing District 9.

Linda Wurtz representing AARP -- a copy of her prepared testimony is attached.

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Josh Kramer representing the ND FU.

Hal Neff representing himself spoke in opposition to the resolution saying it was premature to second guess what the plan would be.

There being further testimony Rep.Devlin, Chairman closed the hearing. End (48.1).

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Hearing Date February 24, 2005

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Minutes: In work session **Rep.Devlin, Chairman** opened the discussion for action on HCR 3030.

Rep. Koppelman moved a 'Do Not Pass' motion for HCR 3030. Rep. Pietsch seconded the motion. On a roll call vote the motion carried 8 ayes 3 nays 0 1 absent. Rep. Koppelman Was designated to carry HCR 3030 on the floor. End. (20.5).

Date: 2/24/05
Roll Call Vote:

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Rep. Herbel, Vice Chairman	V		Rep. Kaldor				
Rep. Dietrich	V		Rep. Zaiser		V		
Rep. Johnson	V						
Rep. Koppelman	V						
Rep. Kretschmar	A						
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3030: Political Subdivisions Committee (Rep. Devlin, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS (8 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3030 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

2005 TESTIMONY

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House Committee: Political Subdivisions HCR 3030 February 11, 2005

Chairman Devlin and members of the committee, I am Linda Johnson Wurtz, Associate State Director for Advocacy and Communication, AARP North Dakota. I represent over 73,000 AARP members in North Dakota.

House Concurrent Resolution 3030 is consistent with AARP policy on the issue of Social Security.

I would like to offer the committee copies of our North Dakota survey on Social Security which we released February 3rd, 2005.

Our survey of North Dakota adults age 18+ revealed that slightly less than half of North Dakotans oppose private accounts (47%). However, when some of the consequences of private accounts were factored in, opposition to private accounts went as high as 75%. Our citizens are particularly concerned about increased federal debt and cuts to guaranteed benefits that could result from taking money out of Social Security and putting it into private accounts.

I hope this information will be helpful to you as you deliberate HCR 3030.

Thank you.